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We will endeavor to keep a supply of all good things to eat served attractively and cleanly. We thank the people of Bristol for their generous patronage in the past and hope to maintain their confidence by deserving to do so.
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Estate Notice.

Estate of THOMAS HARRISON, late of Bristol Borough, Bucks County Pa., deceased.

LETTERS testamentary having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having legal claims will present them without delay, in proper form for settlement to
MRS. JEANETTE HARRISON,
11-22-6t Executor, Bristol, Pa.

Estate Notice.

Estate of SARA JANE TERRY, late of Bristol Borough, Bucks County, Pa., deceased.

LETTERS testamentary in the above estate have been granted to the undersigned to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands, will present them without delay to
CLARA M. STROBLE,
JOHN C. STUCKERT, Executrix.
Attorney. 11-22-6t

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Estate of H. FRANK WRIGHT, late of Middletown Twp., Bucks County, Pa., deceased.

LETTERS of administration in the above estate have been granted to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands, will present them without delay to
IDA G. WRIGHT,
Administratrix,
Gilkeson & James, Attorneys, Bristol, Pa.
11-16-6t

NOTICE.

OFFICE:—COMMISSIONERS OF NAVIGATION FOR THE RIVER DELAWARE AND ITS NAVIGABLE TRIBUTARIES.
350 Bourse Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.

The Standard Cast Pipe & Foundry Company have applied in due form of law for a license to construct a wharf on their property near Bristol, Pa. The specifications of the proposed wharf are now on file at this office. If any person or persons object thereto, they may be heard by the Committee of Wharves and Docks, on the second day of December 1907, at 1.15 P. M., or if a remonstrance be filed in writing before that date, it will be duly considered. JOHN C. GRADY,
11-22-2t President.

The Fidelity Building Association
Will issue a new series of stock for borrowers. First payment to be made on Tuesday, December 10, 1907. This is an elegant opportunity to secure some shares in the building association and buy a property. You might as well own a home as to be paying rent all your life.
FRANKLIN GILKESON,
11-15-3t Secretary.

Farmers National Bank of Bucks Co.

Bristol, Pa., Nov. 4, 1907.

THE Board of Directors has this day declared a dividend of EIGHT PER CENT, payable on demand, clear of all taxes.
CHARLES E. SCOTT, Cashier.
11-8-4

NEW LINE.
Commencing Tuesday, Sept. 3.
STEAMER
"SPRINGFIELD"
EXPRESS BETWEEN
BRISTOL, BURLINGTON and PHILADELPHIA.
Leave Bordentown, 7.30 a. m.
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ANDALUSIA

Congratulations are due to Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence Winder on the recent birth of a son.

It is rumored that Dr. W. G. Winder will soon remove to the City and that he will dispose of his house and effects with a view thereto.

Diphtheria has made its appearance among us, and two children, Herbert Johns and Mabel Towle, are down with it. At the present writing the former of them is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. William B. Chamberlin will spend part of the winter at least, at "The Lincoln" in Philadelphia. Sometime in the spring they will move into their new home, formerly the property of the late Dr. Charles R. King.

A very largely attended meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of All Saints Parish was held at the rectory on Wednesday, November 17th. Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows:
President, Mrs. Charles Biddle; Vice-President, Mrs. Lewis R. Walton; Secretary, Mrs. George Bower; Treasurer, Mrs. E. Y. Farquhar.

The many friends of Miss Buck, so long a teacher in Andalusia, will be glad to learn of her gradual restoration to health. Some time since she was taken with diphtheria and was very severely ill, being compelled to go to the Municipal Hospital in Philadelphia. We hope she will very soon have her old-time vigor.

Many people in this neighborhood will remember the Rev. Henry B. Bryan, who was for some years rector of Christ Church, Eddington, going from thence to Jamaica, Long Island. While there he became a Canon of the Cathedral at Garden City and also Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry of Queens and Nassau, of the diocese of Long Island. It will be of interest to know that he now goes as Archdeacon of Panama to Ancon, Canal Zone, and is to have full charge of the Episcopal Church interests on the Isthmus.

BRIDGEWATER

John Murray and John Klatz secured nine cottontails on a gunning trip last Saturday.

Everybody is complaining of getting no eggs. Hens must be on a strike, or have joined the trust.

The Pike mansion is still vacant. How long will the signs remain in the windows, "For Sale" and "For Rent?"

C. E. topic at Eddington Presbyterian Church, Sunday, December 1st, "The beauty and utility of gratitude." Alvin T. Lippincott, leader.

J. P. Vandegrift, our popular postmaster and grocer, is having his store and dwelling repainted and has also enclosed part of his porch in glass for storage purposes. By being ever ready to accommodate his patrons, Jonathan has built up an extensive trade.

PENN'S MANOR

Miss Jane Sterling, of Tullytown, was visiting friends in this neighborhood last Saturday.

There were no services held in the Chapel last Sunday evening, due to the stormy day.

Mrs. Joseph E. Beck, of Morrisville, spent last Wednesday with Hugh Sterling and family.

Mrs. Hugh Sterling and Miss Lidie Louderback visited friends in Morrisville recently.

Miss Annie Palmer, of Woodsville, N. J., spent last week with her grandmother, Mrs. Margaret White.

"The beauty and utility of gratitude" will be the topic of Christian Endeavor for next Sunday evening, to be led by E. D. Seidensticker.

Mrs. James Stinson received the congratulations of friends and neighbors on her eightieth birthday anniversary on Tuesday, November 26th.

An entertainment consisting of vocal and instrumental music, recitations, readings, dialogues, etc., will be given in the Penns Manor Chapel, Saturday evening, November 30, at 7.45 o'clock. Doors open at 7 o'clock. Adult tickets, 25 cents, children, 15 cents. Children under six free. Proceeds for the benefit of the Chapel.

NEWTOWN

Charlie L. Knight, who has been sick, is now able to be about the house.

Mrs. Emily Milliken, of Philadelphia, has been visiting Mrs. Susan Blaker.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Burrill attended court last week at Cape May Court House.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace G. Reeder entertained friends at tea on Monday evening.

The L. T. L. was very successful with its candy sale on Saturday. The proceeds were $21.

Frank J. Linton, who has been so critically ill with pneumonia, is much improved.

Harold R. Doan is taking a course in telegraphing in Temple College, Philadelphia.

Albert Hogeland, of Lafayette College, is spending the Thanksgiving holidays at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Blackfan entertained about seventy-five of their friends on Saturday evening.

The ladies of the Baptist Church will have a supper on December 7th in the basement of the Church.

Miss Elizabeth K. Eyre came from New Haven to spend her Thanksgiving holidays at her home in Newtown.

Miss Esther M. Watson started on Saturday for San Juan, Porto Rico, to resume her duties as teacher in the far away city.

The several students from our town attending West Chester Normal School are spending the Thanksgiving vacation at their home here.

Miss Marion Leedom, of West Chester, and Miss Evelyn Worthington, of Rushland, were visitors of Miss Emma Wilson at "Greenbank."

Mrs. Henry C. Thornton and Miss Mary Goodman left town on Tuesday for an extended visit to Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Geer at Logansport, Indiana.

Sunday was Universal Temperance day. On account of the very stormy day the Friends First day school postponed the Temperance exercises until next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Blackfan attended the entertainment given by the old students association of Race street school of Philadelphia last Friday evening at Horticultural Hall.

The members of the Men's Guild of St. Luke's P. E. Church, went to Falls of Schuylkill one evening last week and were guests of their former rector, Rev. Edward Ritchie.

Owing to the large number of children who attend the Loyal Temperance Legion, it has become necessary to have the older classes meet on Monday afternoon and the younger ones on Tuesday each week.

The sewing school, of the New Century Club, opened Saturday in Tomlinson hall with Miss Bessie Stuckert as superintendent with a corps of good teachers, and many little girls will receive instruction that will benefit them through their lives.

Union Thanksgiving services were held on Wednesday evening in the Presbyterian Chapel, when the speakers were: Dr. Joseph S. Walton, of George School; Rev. Samuel C. Mead, of the Baptist Church; and Rev. E. H. Hoffman, of the M. E. Church.

For shooting a hippopotamus, one of the animals scheduled under the Game Preservation Ordinance, a hunter has been fined $375 by the Leydsdorp magistrate in the Transvaal.

THE COUNTY CAPITAL

The News of the Week in Doylestown as Gathered by Our Special Correspondent.

Doylestown, November 26, 1907.

It is doubtful whether any Justice of the Peace ever had a more peculiar fact to determine than did Justice Willis Wall, of this place, last week, when he held a hearing in the suit brought by Buckingham township against Clayton Stover, charging him with filling up one of two trenches dug by the supervisors from a gutter to let water run onto his land.

No one, not a single witness, testified that he had seen Mr. Stover close the ditches. The nearest they got to it was to say that while they were at work he came out and profanely declared that he wouldn't have the water running on his land. At his defense Mr. Stover declared that he was away from home for two days immediately after the ditches were opened, and that it was his opinion that chickens must have kicked the sod and dirt into the trench. Some of the other witnesses thought the same, and then it was up to the Justice to determine how hard a chicken can kick. He decided in favor of the chickens and rendered a verdict in favor of the defendant.

THAT GANTZ CASE.

Some of the readers of the Gazette may remember the criminal case brought into court by Mrs. Mattie Gantz, of Morrisville, charging Joel Mason with forcibly ejecting her property from a house he claimed to own, malicious mischief and several other offenses, of which he was acquitted. Since then a civil suit has been brought. Testimony in this case—an appeal from the decision of Justice L. L. White in granting the writ of ejectment—was heard here this week.

Some of the testimony may be interesting. Mr. Mason claims the ownership of the property under a deed from parties claiming to be nieces and nephews of John M. Henry, a colored man, who owned the property and died about seventeen years ago.

Mrs. Ida Gantz claims the right to occupy the property was given to her by Alice Henry Middleton, a colored woman, who lives in Newark, N. J., and claims to be the daughter of John M. Henry.

A large number of witnesses were examined in the matter and some of them testified that they knew Alice Henry Middleton when as a child, she lived with Mr. and Mrs. Henry and was regarded as their child.

The arbitrators will hear argument in the matter tomorrow.

Mrs. Gantz claims damage for injury to her personal property through the forcible ejection which took place April 9th, and was the basis to a criminal action against Mr. Mason and others, who were acquitted.

A BUCKINGHAM GENIUS.

Going through the museum of the Bucks County Historical Society museum, as many folks from all parts of county do, there are many stories to learn from the objects there. It is only a question of having some person along who knows. It was that way this week when the Gazette correspondent straggled in and met Librarian Warren S. Ely.

"Here's an advertisement from the Pennsylvania Correspondent & Farmers' Advertiser (The Intelligencer) which suggests a story," he said.

Glancing at the sheet it was noticed that the "ad" referred to Paul Preston, who had translated the works of Anicus Manlius Torquatus Severinus Boethius, "concerning the consolation of philosophy," from the Latin, and was a self-taught genius of Bucks county."

Turning to the history of the county the following was found, which may be of interest to many of his descendants or relatives:

This family produced an eccentric, and, to some extent, a distinguished member in the person of Paul Preston. By close application he became a fine mathematician and linguist, studying in a small building erected off from his dwelling. He led an active life until upward of sixty, dressed in homespun clothes, and leather apron, ate off a wooden trenchard and died from a fall into a ditch at the age of eighty-four. His widow, Hannah Fisher, whom he married in 1753, lived to her ninety-fourth year. He was a county surveyor, tax-collector and translator of German for the Courts. He was six feet six and and three-quarter inches in height. Paul Preston was the friend and associate of Franklin, who esteemed him highly. It is related that a friend of Franklin about to go to court at Newtown asked for a letter of introduction to Preston but the doctor declined to give it saying he would know him easy enough 'as he will be the tallest man, the homliest looking man and the most sensible man' he would meet at Newtown. His son, Samuel, who was born 1756 and died in 1834, was the first Associate Judge of Wayne county, where his descendants reside."

In the biographical part the History says of him: "In 1753 he purchased a farm of fifty acres in Buckingham, where he lived until 1792, when he purchased a farm of 130 acres in Plumstead, near Gardenville, on the Durham road. He married November 21, 1753, Hannah Fisher, daughter of John and Mary (Scarborough) Fisher, and they were the parents of seven children."

E. H. BUCKMAN.

Death came this morning to E. H. Buckman, of this place, after months of illness due to diabetes and tuberculosis. For a number of years he has been one of the most active business men, conducting a planing mill and coal yards on South Main street. He is survived by his father, Lewis Buckman, his wife, who was Miss Minnie Nields before marriage, one son, and a sister, Miss Helen Buckman. He was a member of St. Paul's P. E. Church and of the vestry.

CHICKEN POX IN TOWN.

Within the last two days four cases of chicken pox have broken out in town, and it is feared that it may become epidemic. The disease seems to be confined to school children from nine to twelve years of age.

JUVENILE COURT.

In the Juvenile Court, today, Judge Stout heard testimony on a charge of incorrigibility brought against Walter Rice, a 16-year old boy, who has just gotten out of the custody of the Children's Aid. The testimony showed him to be shiftless and without a home. He was sent to the House of Refuge.

THE REASON WHY!

We can't vouch for the truth of it but it is said that an amusing conversation took place over the 'phone here this week. A stranger called upon one of the exchanges and wanted to know how much it would cost to telephone to a nearby town. "Twenty-five cents" replied the operator. "Twenty five?" exclaimed the patron, "why out in Chicago I could talk to hell for ten cents." "Oh that's all right," retorted the operator, "that's inside the city limits."

CONSUMPTION DISPENSARY.

Before very long Bucks county will have one of the State dispensaries for consumptives located in Doylestown. It will be at the office of Dr. James E. Groff, the County Medical Inspector, and treatment and advice will be free to all patients who are unable to pay for professional services. The dispensary will be open Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 1 to 4 o'clock.

"The object," said Dr. Groff, "is to give instructions regarding sanitation and health to the patients who are unable or unwilling to go to the State sanitarium for consumptives at Mont Alto, where several cures have been effected. There will be seventy-five of these dispensaries in the State. The one here is "No. 23."

DIRECT FROM THE PEOPLE.

"I never knew eggs to be so scarce as they are now."—Samuel W. Walter, Point Pleasant.

"I'll give $10 toward buying another corn contest."—George W. Ott.

"The reason we don't have big political celebrations any more is because there are so few good political speakers.—Robert S. Garner.

"I have the biggest herd of registered Guernseys, sixty of them, that is owned in Pennsylvania."—Landlord George W. Ott.

"I'll take my advertisement out. There are no responses because all of the dairymen are now getting 5½ cents a quart. We can place fifteen dairies at that price."—George Watson, treasurer of Milk Shippers' Union.

"A friend of mine who has charge of vaults in New York says it is remarkable the number of people who are taking their cash out of bank and putting it under lock and key." —John B. Poore.

"Monday is a poor day to get pupils to work in school."—Principal Carmon Ross.

"We'll probably be down in Virginia cutting timber soon."—John B. Poore, of Sigafoos & Poore.

"I think in all the years I have practiced I never had as many cases of sickness during October and November as I have this fall."—Dr. James E. Groff.

"I notice marked improvement in many of the schools I've visited this year."—County Superintendent J. M. Shelly.

FOR RAPID READING.

December Argument Court will begin on Monday, the 2nd, with twenty cases on the list.

Some of the boys of the town have laid themselves open to heavy fines by breaking the glass in the new mail boxes.

Old fashioned homespun counterpanes sold for $10 apiece at the sale of the personal property of Mrs. Magdalena Frantz.

Accounts in the bankruptcy proceedings of William H. Randall will be audited December 4th when the first dividend will be declared.

A radish measuring 16 inches in circumference and 12 inches in length, and weighing four pounds, was dug up by William Hoffman this week.

With about 150 persons present Doylestown Circle, B. of A., celebrated its twelfth anniversary, Friday evening, and steps were taken to institute a woman's branch of the Order.

Marriage licenses have been issued to the following: James Dolan and Mary Peoples, of Bristol; Peter T. Phleiger, of Trenton, and Jennie A. Thompson, of Bristol; John K. Young and Miss Susan M. Scott of Bristol.

One day last week a former Bristolian, who objected to working at the County Home, wanted to give himself up for a robbery at Bristol so that he could get in the county jail and loaf, but the officers gave him little sympathy and told him to get out.

Mrs. Mary Jane Burrows, of Doylestown, has presented to the Bucks County Historical Society a pair of spectacles made in 1797 by Jonathan Large, who lived at Centreville, and frames to weave fringe and tape, with fringe made in 1762 by Priscilla Garges Burrows.

Maria Mannington, wife of John Simpson Atkinson, brother of T. O. Atkinson, Doylestown, died at Springfield, Mo., on November 18, aged about 70 years. She was a sister of Mrs. Joseph H. Trego, of Kansas. Mr. Atkinson has been a resident of the West for more than fifty years.

Articles recently deposited in the Historical Society museum include the sword used by Captain Lambert Lashley, of Union Troop, Bucks County Cavalry, and bound memorial addresses delivered in the U. S. Senate and House of Representatives upon the death of members of those houses.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE.

Bristol—Joseph T. Stradling to Lodovico Capelli, November 6, 1907, lot, $2400.

Middletown—Herbert E. Havens to Mary S. Havens, Nov. 20, 1907, lot, $1.

Lower Makefield—Rebecca E. Laning to Alice Brooks Boice, October 3, 1907, lot, $1.

Middletown—Spencer B. Hibbs to David Fisher, November 14, 1907, 2 8a., $100.

Bensalem—Robert J. Maxwell to Lizzie Dessley, November 22, 1907, 2a. 8p., $1; Admr. of Thomas Maxwell to Amanda J. Maxwell, August 21, 1880, 1a., $640.

OXFORD VALLEY

C. E. leader for next Sunday evening will be A. L. Spencer.

On account of the storm there was no preaching service in the chapel last Sunday but Rev. Palat will preach next Sunday afternoon at three o'clock.

The business meeting and social of the C. E. was to be held at Charles Rue's on Tuesday evening. There was not a quorum present so no business was transacted.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Stradling entertained a number of their Philadelphia friends at a game dinner last Saturday. Mr. Stradling returned Thursday from a gunning trip.

The C. E. Society and all others in this community are asked to contribute something towards a Christmas box to be sent to the Receiving Home of the Children's Home Society in Trenton. The good work of this Society is carried on entirely by donations. Our former gifts were so gratefully received that we are encouraged to do more. Your contribution this year may be anything for the comfort or amusement of a child—canned fruit, jellies, clothing—new or slightly worn, toys, books, home-made candies, etc. Please leave your offering at I. F. Spencer's not later than December 10.

Eat More Candy.

"Give children plenty of pure sugar, taffy and butterscotch and they'll have little need of cod-liver oil," says Dr. Woods Hutchinson in the Christmas Woman's Home Companion.

"In short, sugar is, after meat, bread and butter, easily our next most important and necessary food. You can put the matter to a test very easily. Just leave off the pie, pudding or other desserts at your lunch or mid-day dinner. You'll be astonished to find how quickly you'll feel 'empty' again, and how 'unfinished' the meal will seem. You can't get any workingman to accept a dinner pail without any pie in it. And he's absolutely right. The only thing that can take the place of sugar here is beer or wine. It is a significant fact that the free-lunch counter run in connection with bars furnish every imaginable thing except sweets. Even the restaurants and lunch grills attached to saloons or bars often refuse to serve desserts of any sort. They know their business! The more sugar and sweets a man takes at a meal, the less alcohol he wants. Conversely, nearly ever drinking man will tell you that he has lost his taste for sweets. The more candy a nation consumes, the less alcohol.

"The United States government buys pure candy by the ton and ships to the Philippines to be sold at cost to the soldiers in the canteens. All men crave it in the tropics, and the more they get of it, the less 'vino' and whiskey they want.

"In fine, the prejudice against sugar is born of puritanism and stinginess, equal parts. Whatever children cry for must be bad for them, according to the pure doctrine of original sin; besides, it costs money. I know families in the rural districts yet where the head of the family groans over every dollar's worth of sugar that comes into the house as a sinful and 'unwholesome' luxury."

Emperor William, while attending army manoeuvres, lives in a portable asbestos house.

HULMEVILLE

Miss May Schneider was visiting in Philadelphia on Saturday and Sunday.

William Bachofer was visiting relatives in Philadelphia on Saturday and Sunday.

Harry Cornell, of Holland, was a visitor in town on Thursday afternoon of last week.

Mrs. Charles Shields was visiting her son William, and wife in Frankford on Monday.

Mrs. Ida Stoard is spending a few weeks at Holmesburg with George Crossley and family.

John Rankin, of Philadelphia, was the guest of A. L. Shaw and family one day last week.

H. B. Webster spent the forepart of last week at Rocky Springs, Lancaster, with relatives.

Mrs. Warner Martindell and sons, of Newtown, spent Sunday with Prof. E. W. Martindell.

Miss Blanche Johnson, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Otto Schoenfeld.

Mrs. William Walton spent Monday afternoon in Bristol with her daughter, Mrs. Levi Allen.

Silas Barkley Parsons, of Bristol, spent Sunday afternoon with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Parsons.

Mrs. Harriet Cox, of Emilie, spent last week with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Oresson.

Mr. and Samuel Hibbs, of Middletown, spent Saturday evening and Sunday with their son-in-law, Jesse G. Webster and family.

Ewald Henry was in the Jefferson Hospital in Philadelphia a few days last week, undergoing an operation for a growth in the nose.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sherman, of Mt. Holly, N. J., were the guests of Edwin W. Henry and family on Saturday afternoon and Sunday.

Charles Afflerbach and son, Charles, were in Philadelphia on Saturday. Charles, Jr., will remain there for a while to take lessons on the banjo.

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Barnes entertained the ushers of the M. E. Church and a few of their friends at the parsonage on Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Haines have moved from Trenton, N. J., to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James T. Vansant on Langhorne avenue.

Hulmeville streets were in total darkness on Sunday and Monday nights. We do not know whether the high winds on Sunday blew the lights out or not.

Mrs Lillie Biles, of Newportville, who is employed at the Delaware Valley Advance office, has rented one of H. B. Webster's houses on Trenton avenue and moved into it on Friday.

THE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR.

"The Mother's Guild" hopes that every friend of old Grace Church, will remember the Christmas Bazaar in Hibbs' Hall on Saturday next, afternoon and evening.

Luncheon from 5 to 7 30.

Menu:

Fresh roast ham, mashed potatoes, apple sauce, rolls and coffee,	25c
Hot frankfurters, potatoe salad, rolls and coffee,	15c
Baked beans, rolls and coffee,	15c
Oyster pattie and coffee,	25
Ice cream and cake,	15c
Ice cream, cake and coffee,	20c

GRACE CHURCH.

December 1st.

First Sunday in Advent.

9.30 a. m., Morning prayer; 10 45 a. m, litany, sermon and Holy Communion; 7.45 p. m., even-song and sermon.

LANGHORNE

Mrs. J. Pierce Flowers is still critically ill.

Mrs. Thomas K. Flowers has gone to Camden for a few days.

Miss Mary Cooper Johnson entertained by a luncheon on Saturday.

Sorosis postponed their semi-monthly meeting until Friday because of Thanksgiving Day.

Joseph and John Maerz, of Philadelphia, are home with their parents for several weeks.

Edgar H. Porter will close his summer home and go to Philadelphia for the winter about December 1st.

Mrs Vanderbilt and daughter, of Philadelphia, were recent visitors of their relative, Mrs. J. Pierce Flowers.

About $50 was made by the Entertainment and Music Committee by their "Progressive Table of Feasts" on Friday.

Dr. Joseph Walton, of the George School, will give an address at the Temperance Rally this Sunday evening in the M. E. Church. Owing to inclement weather last Sunday evening the Rally was postponed.

A number from here responded to the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Le Boutillier to the wedding reception of their daughter, Elizabeth and Frederick Warren Marshall, at the Hotel Rittenhouse, Philadelphia, on Saturday evening from seven until ten. The affair was a notable occasion in the social world and a brilliant success in every particular.

Fallsington L. L. L. Held Successful Entertainment.

The musical social given in Library Hall on Saturday evening for the benefit of the Loyal Temperance Legion was a success all the way through. More than 250 persons braved the storm and were shown the best time of their lives. All went home fully satisfied that they had enjoyed themselves to the utmost.

The musical part of the programme was a great success. The little ones who took part did excellently, while the L. T. L. chorus demonstrated it knew the art of singing.

The social part of the programme was in charge of Miss Rachel Carver, and was interesting. The hat trimming contest was particularly amusing. Ten gentlemen were seated on the stage and given a lady's hat to trim. A limited time was allowed, and the one who had the best trimmed hat received a gold medal. The lucky one was Watson Satterthwaite, while Charles Carver received the booby prize. The other contestants were: William H. Watson, Philip Watson, Frank Watson, Harry Johnson, Evan Saylor, Benjamin Tomlinson, Philip Longhurst and Leon B. Sickles. The Indiana spelling bee was very interesting. At a late hour ice cream and cake were served free, and all agreed they had a glorious time. About $25.00 was cleared.

Beauty.

Beauty is not an accident of things. It pertains to their essence; it pervades the wide range of creation, and wherever it is impaired or banished we have in this fact the proof of the moral disorder which distrusts the world. Reject, therefore, the false philosophy of those who will ask what does it matter, provided a thing be useful, whether it be beautiful or not. —Gladstone.

"Dad," inquired Freddy, "what is a figure of speech?"

"Where's your mother?" asked "dad" cautiously.

"She's downstairs," answered the boy.

"Well, then," began "dad," "a figure of speech, my son, is a woman!"—London Telegraph.

Fish Fresh From the Sea.
Are you fond of fish. I recive them fresh from the ocean every day. Delicious sea trout and all the varieties of fish that are particulary palatable at this season of the year at 10 cents per pound. Call or 'phone your order and we will make prompt delivery. All the fresh vegetables that are in the market. GEORGE L. HORN,
908 Mill street, Bristol.

TEMPERANCE CAUSE.

Edited by the Bristol W. C. T. U.

A LIQUOR DEALER'S CONFESSION.

"The Prohibitionists have captured a large part of the country and they will soon vote us out of the rest, if we do not make some very decided changes in the goods we sell and the way we buy them," is the startling wail of a confidential letter to the "trade," dated April 15, 1907, and sent out to their members by the St. Louis Wholesale Liquor Association.

After frankly admitting to their friends that all retail liquor dealers alike have been selling decoctions "that would kill a horse if he drank it," the St. Louis association, over the signature of its general manager, one "J. B. Goode," makes an eloquent plea for the introduction of "pure liquor," "under government guarantee," and thus apologizes for the "rot-gut" brand long in ordinary use.

"We retail dealers have allowed the 'reduction rogues' to swindle us out of millions, by substituting for good whiskey which we paid them for a compound that would kill a horse if he drank it.

"We have unwittingly sold this accursed poison to the youth and the flower of our manhood, many of whom have been crazed, have lost their manhood, their honor and their all, because they drank it.

"Their mothers, their sisters, their fathers, their brothers, and their friends are driving us retailers out of business.

"The only salvation left for the liquor business lies in a firm resolve on the part of all retailers to be sure that they sell nothing but the best goods that can be had for their money."

GOOD AND BAD WHISKEY.

There has been quite an agitation of late years for pure foods, and some contend that "pure liquors are both desirable and necessary."

The writer of this was acquainted some years ago with two young men who were intimate friends, both drinkers, but with a marked difference in taste. One, whom we will call Bill, always bought and drank the best and purest liquors obtainable. The other, whom we will call Sam, seemed to enjoy the vilest stuff that was to be had. Bill often remonstrated with Sam, pointing out how much superior his way was, how less injurious, etc. He finally persuaded Sam to try pure liquor and bought him a bottle of the best on the market. Sam tried it a day and then quit the liquor in disgust. Genuine "rot-gut" was the only stuff that would satisfy him.

Years have passed and Sam is in his grave. Bill has changed his taste. "Rot-gut" is the stuff for him now. Good whiskey is all right to get one started in the drink habit, but in time it becomes less satisfying. One needs the rankest poison—something with more bite in it—after a while.

There is only one rule with either good whiskey or bad whiskey: "Touch not, taste not, handle not." "For at the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder."—Matt W. Alderson.

NO RIGHT TO SELL LIQUOR.

No man has a moral right to do anything that hurts his follow-men. No American citizen has an inherent right to engage in any traffic which is injurious to society. Even the legal rights which state tax and license laws confer are entirely overshadowed and rendered morally void by the higher laws of right and truth.

These points have been settled by supreme court decisions, rendered over and over again. To refresh your minds, just read what the most eminent jurists of the United States have had to say on this subject. See how, in the solemn official opinion, traffic in intoxicating drink is a crime, not a respectable business. Note the following decisions:

"1. We cannot shut out of view the fact, within the knowledge of all, that the public health, the public morals, and the public safety may be endangered by the general use of intoxicating drinks. (State of Kansas vs. Ziebold & Hagelin, 123 U. S. 664.)

"2. No legislature can bargain away the public health or the public morals. The people themselves cannot do it, much less their servants. Government is organized with a view to their preservation. (Stone vs. Miss., 101 U. S. 816.)

"3. The statistics of every state show a greater amount of crime and misery attributed to the use of ardent spirits obtained at these retail saloons than to any other source. The police power of the state is fully competent to regulate the business, to mitigate its evils, or suppress it entirely. There is no inherent right of a citizen to thus sell intoxicating liquors by retail. It is not a privilege of a citizen of a state or of a citizen of the United States. (Crowley vs. Christensen, 137 U. S. 8.)

"4. If a loss of revenue should accrue to the United States (because of prohibition) from a diminished consumption of ardent spirits, she will be a gainer a thousand fold in the health and happiness of the people. (License cases, 46 U. S. 5 Howard 632.)

THE HOT WATER CURE.

Effectively Applied by an Australian Settler's Wife.

Wives of "squatters," or farmers, in Australia are often left entirely alone at the farmhouse and are more or less subjected to danger in consequence. A traveler writes: "I know of a squatter's wife who was left to her own devices in this way, while all the men of the station were mustering cattle—a business which on large open plains takes weeks to complete. One morning a party of natives arrived and, finding her alone, demanded food, threatening death if she failed to bring it. 'Oh, yes,' answered the lady coolly, speaking their own dialect, 'I feed you well, very well, now master away. You come along a kitchen. You sit down all the same white man. I get you budgory tuck-out' (splendid food). In no time a score of blacks were squatting round the kitchen, while the lady produced all the food available. Then she filled all the pots, kettles and billies she could find and put them on to boil—for tea, as doubtless her guests thought—while they gobbled and jabbered, growing more and more uproarious. Presently the water boiled, and then my lady—her natural compassion slain by her desperate need—seized a quart pot in either hand and dashed the boiling water along each row of naked figures. This she did again and again, shrieking, 'I give you budgory tuck-out!' while the blacks yelled in pain and terror, tumbling over each other to get out of the house, screaming that she was no white woman at all, but a dibble-dibble. Neither could they ever be induced to return to that station, inhabited, as they were convinced, by a dangerous devil."—Chicago News.

Voting Terms.

"Ballot," as generally used, has wandered far from its original meaning of "little ball." Even "blackballing" is no longer necessarily literal. Language has several fossil relics of primitive methods of voting. Most famous is "ostracism," which perpetuates the memory of the "ostrakon," the potsherd or shell upon which the Athenian citizen voted for the banishment of a too prominent personage. Another instance is "spondulicks," the slang word for money. A "spondulos," properly a vertebra of the spine, came to mean any round thing and in particular the voting pebble or its metal equivalent.

Take Your Choice.

"Who is the greatest man alive today?" asked Huggins.

"Oh," replied Biggs, "that's merely a matter of opinion. There are several of us."—Chicago News.

THE DRAGON FLY.

Before Taking to the Air It Lives in the Water.

The dragon fly lives in the water during one stage of its life and in the air during another. The eggs are laid on the leaves of water plants. When the larva of a dragon fly appears it is a very queer creature indeed. In the first place, it wears a mask, which conceals its mandibles, or jaws, and when it sees anything that it would like to capture for its dinner it suddenly unfolds this mask and throws it forward. It has two sharp claws that instantly seize the prey.

It also draws in and sends forth water, moving in this way, and taking in the air in the water for breathing purposes. For nearly a year it lives in the water world. Then on some fine May or June day it climbs up the stem of some tall water plant that rises above the surface and in about two hours throws off the old ugly body and darts away—an inhabitant of the air world for the rest of its life—on four gossamer wings, glittering with many beautiful colors like those of shining silver and bronze.

It flies as swiftly as a swallow and has a long slender body and large eyes, cut with many sides like a diamond, and on a sunshiny day you may see many of them catching their prey on the wing. If you should put it back into the water world of its childhood it would die.

THE OYSTERMAN.

His Work Is Hard, and the Returns Are Often Meager.

The life of an oysterman is by no means an easy one. At the first sign of dawn in all kinds of weather except when the river is frozen the oysterman leaves his home and if the breeze is fair sails to the oyster grounds. If not he rows the six or eight miles to his working grounds. Arriving there, he drops his anchor and puts his tongs overboard.

All day long he manipulates them with varying results. Sometimes he finds a particularly good bed, and the tongs will bring up oysters each time they are put overboard, but more often there are more stones and shells in the tongs than there are good oysters, and the day's work is poor.

The catch is then culled—that is, all undersized oysters and shells are cleaned out and thrown overboard. At least this is what is supposed to be done; but, judging from the cargoes often brought here, the law is very often a dead letter. When the catch is culled it is sold to the river boats and by them brought to market. Few oystermen market their own catch, but some own the river boats in which they are brought to market.—Washington Star.

Joys to Come.

A popular New England preacher says that if his sermon ever stretches beyond the twenty minutes to which he means always to limit it the words of his little daughter ring in his ears, and he reflects that some of his congregation are doubtless feeling as she did on a memorable occasion. The occasion was the little girl's sixth birthday, which chanced to come on Thanksgiving day. She went to church with her mother and sat quietly through the service. The sermon was unusually good, the minister could not help thinking. He had plenty to say, and he said it fluently.

"How did you like my sermon?" he asked his young critic as they walked home together, her small hand in his big one.

"You preached awful long, father," said the little girl, "but I beared it because I love you, and I knew I'd have a nice dinner when I got home and forget what I'd been through."

The Dahlia and the Fuchsia.

The dahlia rivals the hansom cab in the matter of having smothered the memory of the man after whom it was named. But persons who use it at least pronounce "hansom" as Joseph Hansom pronounced his surname, whereas probably most people call the flower "daylia," thus getting hopelessly remote from the Swedish Dr. Dahl, the pupil of Linnaeus, who brought this Mexican plant into cultivation in Europe. How many who know the fuchsia have ever heard of the sixteenth century German botanist Leonhard Fuchs? Germany, by the way, calls the dahlia "Georgine" in honor of another botanist, Georgi. — Chicago News.

A Royal Reprimand.

A tutor was once employed to teach the son of a king. The young prince was sometimes disobedient. But in the esteem of the tutor it was not quite proper to whip the son of a king with a common switch. So to the lapel of the boy's coat the teacher pinned a piece of purple ribbon. When the young prince manifested a disposition to defy authority the instructor pointed with the end of the rod to the purple ribbon on his coat. This was an appeal to his royal blood.

Very Often.

"She's advertised as a stage beauty now."

"Indeed? She never used to be a beauty."

"Well, stage beauty is a good deal like stage money."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Obeyed Orders.

Mamma—Why did you eat the whole of that pie in the pantry, Willie? Little Willie—'Cause you told me once never to do things by halves.—New York Globe.

Don't help yourself to other people's money just because the doctor says you must have change.

Pretty Feet Always Painful.

Pretty feet are always painful feet. Shoes rarely, if ever, fit them; hence they carry their possessors haltingly, and too often they must direct themselves toward the chiropodist's. The high arched instep, the pretty foot's essential quality, is yet in a way a deformity, for it causes an abnormal tightness of the tendon governing the toes, and the toes in consequence all turn under a little, as though trying to grasp something. Turning under, the joints stand out prominently, just as the knuckles stand out when the fingers are closed. The leather of the shoe rubs and irritates these prominent joints, and the pretty foot's pretty owner pays the penalty in many a smart, in many a jumping pain.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Antiquity of Tennis.

Among all the popular games of to day none perhaps is of greater antiquity than tennis, for it is said to have originated in the ball games of the ancient Greeks and Romans. In the first place the ball was struck by the hand, later on heavy gloves were worn or cords strapped round the palm, and the racket was contrived during the fifteenth century in France, where the game was very popular, and thence introduced into England.—London Captain.

SELECTING A HUSBAND.

Capture Him While He Is Still Young, Docile and Plastic.

Because it is the duty of every woman to marry some man it by no means follows that she is deprived of the privilege of making acute discrimination. On the contrary, to fulfill her mission as completely as possible she should exercise the greatest care in selecting a mate. Time was when she had no say in the matter, and in some countries she has little or none today, but in this happily civilized land she still possesses and will undoubtedly hold for all time the right first to choose and then ensnare. It is a noble prerogative—one, in our judgment, that should be appreciated and cherished above all others. And yet, as we have observed, it should be exercised with caution. Let nothing be left to chance, as Plato would have had it when he decreed that pairing should be done by lot. While not overnice, be at least particular in order that the one chosen may feel honored by the distinction conferred upon him and so be the more readily induced to show his undying gratefulness.

Much that was thought and written years ago on how to choose a wife was good enough for the time, but the recent reversal of the relative attitudes of seeker and sought renders it valueless. Nevertheless, despite the fact that in considering the points to be heeded and the precautions to be observed by womankind we find ourselves in a fallow field, certain general principles may be regarded as established. It is best, for example, to capture a husband while he is still young, docile and plastic. Preferably also he should be in love. He may then be trained after the manner best calculated to serve the convenience of her for whom thenceforth he must and should toil.—George Harvey in North American Review.

OUR LARGEST SCALES.

The Monster Weighing Machine In the Washington Navy Yard

The biggest scales in the country are in the navy yard at Washington. They outweigh the largest railway scales by fifty tons. The latter are not to be sneezed at, for they easily weigh as much as a heavily loaded car. The navy yard scales are so accurate that they come within a pound of the exact weight. Railway scales are considered good if they come within fifty pounds. All the large ordnance manufactured for the navy is weighed upon this machine, which is some ten years old. The scales look like ordinary hay scales.

The delicate mechanism is invisible, the most intricate parts being in a broad pit below the ground. The platform is forty-eight feet long and twelve feet wide. Beneath the powerful machinery is a cement base laid upon long piles. A solid base being one of the prime requisites of a powerful weighing machine, it was found necessary to use a pile driver to secure a stable foundation.

The machine is regarded as the finest of its kind in the world and is a splendid achievement of American ingenuity. In order to show the accuracy of the scales an official picked up half a brick and tossed it upon the platform. He then consulted a long brass lever and found that the brick weighed just one pound.

The capacity of the scales is 150 tons. Two twelve-inch guns lying on a forty-eight foot car truck can be weighed on the machine without taxing its capacity.—Washington Star.

"I Trust You."

"I owe my salvation to three words you spoke," he wrote. "When all the world was against me you said, 'I trust you.'"

If every boy or girl who has made mistakes and gone astray could have such a friend a great many of them would return to a normal life. The feeling that somebody believes in us, trusts us, no matter what others believe or say, touches the heart. Criminals are sometimes totally reformed through the consciousness that somebody still believes in them, no matter how low they may have fallen. Could we realize how much this trust and confidence would do for a man when everything else has failed we should be more generous of our confidence in our fellows.—Success Magazine.

No Decoration Required.

It was Mr. Hobart's first experience with waffles, and he liked the taste of them. When he had been served twice he called the waiter to him and spoke confidentially.

"I'm from Pokeville," he said, "and we're plain folks there. Don't care much for style, but we know good food when we get it. I want another plateful o' those cakes, but you tell the cook she needn't stop to put that fancy printing on 'em; just send 'em along plain."—Youth's Companion.

Terrible Fate.

There is something which will appeal to every American in the horror of a fate invoked upon Henry James, Sr., by his son, the novelist, and recorded in the letters of E. L. Godkin. The young man had been worsted in argument and exclaimed:

"Then may your mashed potatoes always have lumps in them!"—Youth's Companion.

Just as Fresh.

Mrs. Newwed—Are these eggs as fresh as the ones I got from you last week? The Grocer—Oh, yes'm! Some of the same lot, ma'am. I've been keeping 'em for you.—Pick-Me-Up.

Old age is, as it were, the altar of ills. We may see them all taking refuge in it.—Marcus Aurelius.

An Artemus Ward Story.

When Artemus Ward was at the height of his fame he received a telegram from Tom Maguire, then the leading amusement manager of the Pacific slope. It asked Artemus, who was then delivering his funny lecture in New York, what he would take for fifty nights in California. The prompt and laconic response was "Brandy and water." Maguire somehow failed to see the point, and he wired Ward for an explanation. He got it in the shape of a thirty word message costing $16.50, for rates were high in those days, which stated that a diagram would be sent by the following mail.

Not Prepared.

"What is a third of fifty-three and a third?" asked her friend, who was adding up her weekly accounts.

"If you'll wait I'll run home and get my diploma and show you that I am a college graduate and a woman of mind," she returned, "but don't spring questions like that on me all of a sudden."—New York Press.

The Modern Play.

"I want you to write me a play."

"What sort of a play?"

"Well, we have seventeen specialties. Get me up enough stuff to wedge 'em apart."—Kansas City Journal.

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THE TRAMP PROBLEM.

The tramp never looks for work He argues that work is a degradation to mankind He has lived in all ages and in all countries. He is not a product of modern civilization but he thrives best in our day. He has the country for his summer vacation and the city for his winter sojourn

We, the people, support him We permit him to sleep in our police stations ride upon our trains, rest in our barns, eat at our tables, wear our clothes We are proud of him We love to listen to his tale of woe. Poor soul! No wife to look after him! No children to call to him! All buried beneath the debris of the San Francisco earthquake! How sad! And because of this he tramps Not that he ever had a wife and children in California but—well, one story is as good as another

Is it not about time that we set this miserable, lying vagabond to work Why should he be permitted to live out of the hard earned wages of our working men? Why should we supply free soup houses, and free lodgings to such a creature? As one says, "If a man will not work, neither shall he eat," is reversible into "If a man must eat, so must he work"

Why not make him work? He comes to Bristol very often. He finds a lodging next in our town hall. He goes on to the next place of ease and comfort. We pay the bill. Why not make him work? Suppose the bare suggestion of such a thing does 'set his teeth on edge" What of that? Let him be arrested as a vagrant, but let him be put to work The easy life of the jail has no terror for him

It is work that kills—not your honest man, but the tramp

But as has been well said by another, Laws of this nature must be general and equally binding and equally well enforced everywhere. When the vagrant finds that he can neither advance nor retreat, nor turn to the right or left, to escape from work, then he will condescend to toil for the food he now enjoys in the sweat of other men's brows"

WHY NOT SENATOR KNOX.

A New York paper in advocating Governor Hughes for the Presidency agrees with President Schurman, of Cornell University, who told his auditors at a meeting of the People's Institute in Cooper Union that the Governor 'will not lift a finger to secure the nomination, nor would a man like Governor Hughes want the nomination at the hands of the bosses If the people want him for higher service that is for them to take the initiative and extend the call And the call of the people would make the intervention of the bosses unnecessary

That is true of Mr Hughes is likewise true of Pennsylvania's candidate, Senator Knox, says the Norristown Herald The way to create sentiment in our Valley Forge neighbor's favor is for the people to get in earnest in his behalf by the only practical way—through party organization, by beginning at the bottom through attendance at ward and district caucuses and primary elections, to set in operation the party machinery which will eventually turn out a finished product in the shape of a solid Knox delegation in the National Republican convention so strong as to sweep any possible opposition to him off its feet.

And why not Knox? He has demonstrated his ability as a statesman, one who is in sympathy with President Roosevelt's policies, which are universally approved And surely Pennsylvania deserves some recognition for her unflinching service in behalf of the Republican party, making it not only the Keystone of the original State, but of the present nation as well

"If the people summon him to service," declare President Schurman, of Governor Hughes, "he would undoubtedly respond with loyal devotion to their call, though with a feeling of deep responsibility" How like Senator Knox

THE CROP FOR 1907.

The last of the preliminary crop reports for the year having just been issued by the Department of Agriculture at Washington, the country is equipped to make a close guess at the volume of its leading farm products for this season. We will have 2,554,000,000 bushels of corn, 698,587,000 bushels of wheat, 741,521,000 bushes of oats, 147,192,000 bushes of barley, 292,427,000 bushels of potatoes and 13,911,000 bushels of buckwheat. The leading states rank in corn production in this order, beginning with the head of the list: Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, Indiana, Texas, Kansas, Ohio. These states produced more than two-thirds of the country's corn crop for 1907, and more than double the amount of the corn which was in all of the world outside of United States

While the crops of 1907 are below the record of one or more previous years, they are a fair average of the past half dozen seasons. In money value they will rank ahead of any previous year, as prices are somewhat higher than they were in 1906, which produced the largest aggregate farm yield. The value of the agricultural products of the country for 1906 was placed at $6,740,000,000 by the Department of Agriculture, in its estimate on December 1 of that year It is probable that the $7,000,000,000 mark will be touched by the farm products of 1907

Usually when the farmers have good times the country is prosperous. The farmers are assured of good times until the next harvest at least, and the chances are that 1908 will be more favorable for them than 1907 has been, for in backwardness of the planting time 1907 broke all the recent records Prices of farm crops, like prices of commodities of nearly every sort, will come down, to some degree, as a consequence of the money scare and the temporary shrinkage in the country's volume of activities, but the farmer, like every other wage earner, will be in good shape to meet this brief setback The agriculturist is in a position to look the future in the face with confidence. Science is equipping him to overcome such drawbacks as lateness of planting season and droughts, and he can count on commanding henceforth a good many of the prizes of fortune.

A dealer in art works in London is in deep sorrow. An American entered his shop and bought, for $10, a small painting representing a Christian martyr, which, when examied by experts, turned out to be a genuine work of Guido Reni, the celebrated Italian painter, and to be worth at least $63,000.

The Conshohocken Recorder has visions of strenuous political warfare and declares that 'both factions of the Republican party are rooting after the hardships of the campaign, which was of the nerve racking variety and one unprecedented in Montgomery for its virulence and strenuousness. Sharp lines have been drawn and Montgomery will be an interesting quantity in State politics from two standpoints"

Hope springs eternal in the human breat Our esteemed contemporary, the Doylestown Democrat, notwithstanding its battered and bruised condition, emerges from the recent political fray with dishevelled locks and discolored optics and encourages its followers by declaring that the Democratic party has bright prospects for success There is one thing about Democracy we are forced to admire—it is never whipped The harder it is drubbed, the quicker it comes to the scratch again Hope is eternally leading it on

Under the direction of Rev Hugh Birkhead and his associates of St George's Episcopal Church New York, a club has been started on lines similar to that maintained by Emmanuel Church, of New York, namely its membership made up entirely of persons having incipient tuberculosis Each member promises to care for his health, to give up all work, stop worrying, live an outdoor life and obey all the rules of the club All are supplied with a tent attachment to be fastened to the window sills so that they may sleep with their heads in the open air Weekly meetingsare held when all tell of their progress They are to be supported by the church

We call your attention, dear readers to the subjoined extract Mistake not It is not a sizzling editorial from the columns of the Inquirer, defending Miss Philadelphia's fair name from the flings and assaults of a Democratic press, but, strange as it may seem, they are pearls of wisdom that dripped from the point of the trenchant pen of Bristol's former Democratic burgess—the Bristol correspondent of the Doylestown Democrat

There is much room for improvement in our town, we admit We should have better streets, more room in our schools for the children, etc yet withall we still adhere to a former statement that the people of Bristol will compare favorably in every respect with those of any other town of like size It is a dirty bird in deed that befouls its own nest It is unwise to give outsiders an impression that we are worse than we really are

A man may be his brother's keeper but that does not justify him in holding up his brother's little faults and peccadilloes to the gaze of a scoffing multitude The particular fault of which the brother may be guilty may be a weakness he cannot help

Advance sheets of the discoveries of the German and French expeditions on the island of Elephanta, on the Nile, published by Prof Gauneau at Paris, tell how the German diggers have unearthed an official document of the seventeenth year of Darius addressed to the Persian governor of Judea by the priests of the Temple of Elephanta Heretofore many ancient Greek texts have been turned up from the sands of Egypt, but rarely one of Hebrew origin like this Its chief value is that it deals with familiar figures in the Bible This papyrus, which is in the Aramic character turns out to be an authentic page of the Book of Nehemiah, being a petition addressed by the Jews to the Persian governor asking leave to rebuild their temple, which had been destroyed by a previous governor The petitioners say they have also asked the governor to help them This seems to show beyond doubt that the ancient temple of Jehovah mentioned in the Bible was located on this island The petition was granted and the temple was rebuilt

Under whatever pretext it is put, organized labor—if Samuel Gompers speaks for it—is opposed to the construction and completion of the Panama Canal For hape Mr Gompers speaks from ignorance of the real conditions, but, whether from ignorance or from underlying desire to block the work for at least two generations, his insistence on an eight hour law in the Canal Zone is to that effect. He refers glibly to the twelve or fourteen hour day in the "torrid zone and miasmatic atmosphere of Panama"—and all in the interest of 'American workingmen" These latter are a rarity at Panama, and such as there may be are foremen, heads of departments, clerks, etc What may be called the laboring element at Panama is made up of negroes from Jamaica and the Fortune Islands, born and inured to their environment, as lazy as the zone is torrid, and out of whom in twelve or fourteen of the long daylight day, broken by its long boonday siesta hours, it is impossible to get an amount of work comparable with four hours of labor by an American workman at home Judged by our own standards here in the United States, the adoption of an eight hour day on the isthmus would be to get the result of about two hours of labor per day as it is understood by the American working man Hence there follows a nice little problem in arithmetic If 20,000 laborers working fourteen hours a day and accomplishing the equal of five hours of real labor can dig the Panama Canal in ten years, how many years would it take the same force to dig the canal putting in eight hours a day and getting the result of two

Why Butter is High.

Householders are wondering why butter keeps so high where there are so many cows and dairy men, so much grass and so many farms But a little investigation will show good reason why the best grades of butter keep up One factor of importance is the law preventing the sale of oleo as butter, as the substitute for nearly so generally used has greatly diminished and purchasers must buy butter or nothing But there are many other reasons. The cost of production has increased in every way. Dairy lands which a few years ago could be bought for $50 or less now command around $100 Farm help which could be engaged a decade ago at $20 a month is now hard to get at $30 and more. In addition to this there has been a vast increase in consumption both of butter and milk, the consumers increasing faster than the cows Dairy cows last year increased 1,177,899, while nearly that many immigrants came in, to say nothing of the natural increase of our own population

State, Dog and County Tax.

County Treasurer John B. Poore gives out the following figures of County, State and Dog taxes charged, collected and still due.

County Tax amount charged $137,489,-80; collected, $94,189 01, still due $48,-300.58

State Tax charged, $46,106.00; collected, $43,040.51, due, $3065 49.

Dog Tax charged, $2993, collected, $1354; due, $1578.

Pietro Mascagni, the Italian composer, has a hobby for watch collecting He has purchased a large number of watches of different makes, some of them very valuable, and is said to always carry three in his pockets. One is gold, with his monogram in diamonds; another is silver; while the third is nickel

Over one hundred pieces of Roman pottery, apparently portions of burial urns, have been discovered during excavations on the site of Wareham Castle, in Dorsetshire, England.

SUNDAY GAMES VS. VICE DENS

"In God We Trust," the obliterated coin motto, supplied the text for a powerful sermon delivered to the Congregation Rodeph Shalom, Broad & Mt Vernon Sts Phila., by Rabbi Henry Berkowitz In vigorous, straight onward English the preacher told to his hearers that in their search for little things as matters for correction the principles and motives which should actuate such quests were forgotten or neglected

Each point brought out in the progress of his discourse was illustrated by a reference to and application of recent date in national affairs, and his sermon left a strong impression upon the large congregation which attended the service

Dr Berkowitz lamented the lack of trust in God shown by certain ministers and others, as shown by recent events and referred to the excitement which had been aroused by the omission from the newly mined coins of the text, 'In God We Trust" He said in part —

'The reverential spirit of President Roosevelt like that of hosts of devout people is offended by the obnoxious advertising of Biblical texts on coins in street cars and other public places on blazing, electric signs and the vulgarizing of religion with bands and other circus methods The Rabbis recommend to worshipers the wholesome spiritual nutriment of Psalm 37, from the sentiment of which is taken the text 'In God We Trust' The mere words on the coins would prove nothing The life of the American people alone can verify the text

SUNDAY GAMES VS VICE DENS

The panicky distress in monetary affairs is entirely absurd in face of the marvelous prosperity of our country It is abundantly warranted however, by the recent exposure of dishonesties practised by the officers of banks, insurance companies and other corporations, and by the whole blank category of rascalities ending in prison and suicides, which have made the average man ask 'Whom can I trust?'

That panicky feeling seems to have spread its contagion into other than monetary spheres It is a pitiable spectacle to see some preachers and their followers so distrustful of God that they must perforce to invoke old blue laws and antiquated decisions of court to coerce people into the straightjacket of certain religious forms and customs Some of our ministers seem to be more exercised about a Sunday football game at League Island than they are about the dens of vice against which that innocent pastime is to serve as a safeguard in the far seeing judgment of a sane commandant who knows his men and will brook no meddling in his methods of discipline

LOVE OF PRAISE THEIR CREED

'Every earnest student of the principles of our Government is saddened to behold good people so profoundly exercised about having the name of God on the coins or inserted in the Constitution, religion in the public schools and sectarian exercises at Christmas and Easter Daily the outcry grows more clamorous

This is a Christian country and a Christian nation" Would that it were so in the true sense of those terms Would that the ten commandments of the Hebrew Scriptures which Christianity preaches were everywhere practised Would that the emphasis Christianity places on the message of the Hebrew prophets to worship God in the spirit, not in the letter, were actualized Would that the Christian condemnation of those who do all their works to be seen of men' for the love of praise, rather than for the love of good were heeded Would that the spirit of broad humanity enfolded the Christian spirit' the American spirit of freedom and fair play, were expressed by all classes, creeds and races in the land

'It was this spirit which actuated the founders of our Republic. They recognized that a man's most sacred possession is his freedom of conscience. To invade the rights of conscience they held to be the highest crime The history of bloodshed in Europe had convinced them that the woful blunder of the ages was the condemnation of the union of Church and State Those brave men trusted in truth as self sufficient They trusted in God as just and equitable They gave the world its most precious treasure today, a land in which all religious are honored and cherished alike, each laboring in its own way to uplift the moral and spiritual life of the people To exemplify that spirit of Americanism we shall heed the recommendation of our beloved President to commemorate in the coming week a day of thanksgiving in all the churches of all creeds Thus do we show by deeds rather than words the truth of the affirmation 'In God We Trust'

LOCAL OPTION.

Town and County, Pennsburg, Pa

Local option is looming up as one of the most important issues likely to confront the next Legislature of this State, and its advocates fell encouraged by the remarkable advances recently made by the Prohibition sentiment throughout the United States

Only eight states and territories of this country now permit the sale of liquor everywhere within their bounds. These are Pennsylvania, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Utah Nevada Arizona and New Mexico In five States—Maine North Dakota, Kansas, Georgia and Oklahoma—the sale of liquor is entirely prohibited In all other States local option prevails, and under that system the people have in many instances wiped out the saloon everywhere except in large cities

The Southern States are overwhelming ly prohibition In Kentucky, for instance, 100 out of the 119 counties are 'dry" Georgia and the new State of Oklahoma have recently adopted prohibition Two of the three counties of Delaware went 'dry' at last election, and a majority of the total vote in the State favored prohibition Even in the wicked and windy city of Chicago, 190 saloons were voted out of existence at the election this month, and most of the counties of Illinois shut out liquor

While the temperance agitation has been carried on for the greater part of a century, the great mass of the people have been slow to yield to the arguments of the agitators They have sought to deal fairly with the liquor business, and now, if they decide to suppress that business, the fault lies with the liquor dealers themselves, because a large proportion of the men engaged in that business have persistently refused to obey the laws

Certain safeguards have been deemed necessary in dealing with the sale of liquor, and among these are the provisions that intoxicants shall not be sold to persons visibly intoxicated nor to persons of intemperant habits. If these requirements had been scrupulously obeyed, the liquor trade could have disarmed much of the opposition that it now faces But intoxicated men and persons of intemperate habits experience no difficulty in obtaining liquor at bars, the appeals of suffering wives and children are disregarded, disgusting orgies are permitted and decency is trampled under foot Is it any wonder therefore that men and women, though they may see no harm in the mere act of drinking a glass of beer or wine, are nevertheless moved to join in a fight to wipe out the public barroom and the traffic in intoxicants as now conducted?

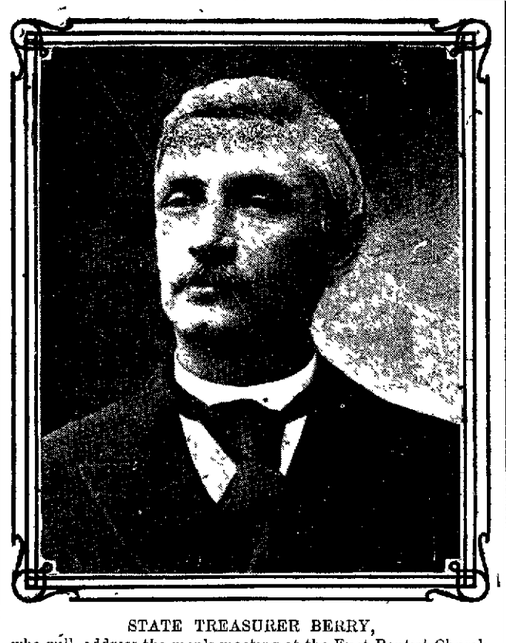
Local option, moreover, appeals to the American spirit of democracy and home rule It allows the people to determine whether or not they want the sale of liquor to continue

In the last Legislature a local option measure was reported adversely from committee but on the question of putting the bill on the calendar the vote stood 96 for and 89 against. However, the bill was lost, being eight votes short of a constitutional majority.

Prominent politicians of both parties, foreseeing the trend of popular opinion, are already pledging their support for local option, and it is not unlikely that the platforms of both parties next year will favor the movement

Berlin University is the most numerously attended seat of learning in the world It contains 7774 matriculated and 1330 non-matriculated students—All the cities of Germany and every country in Europe, from Norway to Sicily, from Ireland to Russia, are represented in its classrooms.

The begging business is more thoroughly organized in China than anywhere else. The beggar chief of Soochow, who is the king of the Chinese beggars, has an income which is said to be $15,000 per year



STATE TREASURER BERRY,
who will address the men's meeting at the First Baptist Church.

BASKET BALL.

Last Saturday the teams of the Crescent Basket Ball League played the opening games when the Crystal A C defeated the Goodwill Jrs, and the Keystone Jrs won from the Shamrocks Two games were also played yesterday when the Keystone Jrs and Crystal A C both won

STANDING OF THE TEAMS

	Won	Lost	Percent
Keystone Jrs	2	0	1 000
Crystal A C	2	0	1 000
Shamrocks	0	2	000
Goodwill Jrs	0	2	000

Crystal A. C. Won.

On Saturday the Crystal A C defeated the Goodwill Jrs by the score of 50 31, in a rough and hard fought game The Crystals took the lead at the beginning and were never headed due to their fine passing and shooting D Dugan and M Gee played well for Crystal while Hibbs gave Hollis for Goodwill Jrs The line up

Crystal A C	Position	Goodwill Jrs
F Dugan, Kelly	Forward	McIlvaine
Byers	"	J Roche
Gallagher	Centre	H Hibbs
D Dugan	Guard	Hetherington
McGee	"	McGinley

Goals from field—D Dugan 12, McGee, 5 Gallagher 5 Byers, 3 E Dugan, 2 Hellings, 2 McIlvaine, 2, Roche, 2 McGinley Goals from fouls—G Hibbs, McGee, Roche H Hibbs McGinley Foul, Gallagher, 3 D Dugan 2, McGee, 2 McIlvaine 2, Hellings 3, McGinley 2, Roche Hetherington Referee, S Pearson

Keystone Jrs. Defeated Shamrocks.

On Saturday the Keystone Jrs defeated the Shamrocks by the score of 33 11 Both teams were off form in shooting J Dugan and H Boyle excelled for Keystone while J Ennis did the best work for the Shamrocks The line up

Keystone Jrs	Position	Shamrocks
Woodington	Forward	E Ennis
M Boyle	"	M Dugan
J Dugan	Centre	D Roche
H Boyle	Guard	J Ennis
Quigley	"	J Dugan

Goals from field—J Dugan, 5 H Boyle, 3 Woodington 2 M Boyle, 2, J Ennis 3 E Ennis Goals from fouls—Quigley 2, M Boyle, E Ennis M Dugan, J Ennis Fouls, H Boyle 2 J Dugan 2 M Boyle E Ennis D Roche Duffy Referee Pearson

MISPLACED MONUMENTS.

Helpless Figures, Soiled and Grimy, in Stone and Bronze

The ordinary run of statues unless they are royal, have only one real pleasant and satisfactory day in their existence and that is the day they are unveiled If stone, on that day they are spotlessly clean If bronze they are nice and shiny After that they are never clean or shiny again It has to be the statue of a very exalted personage for the soot to be scraped off and to have its face washed once a year The average hero has to be satisfied with being unveiled After that no one takes any further interest in him But it is most instructive to observe the unholy skill with which the soot and other accidents of the air will lodge on the top of a venerable bald head and on the surface of what should be an immaculate frock coat or a well fitting uniform A Roman toga that has met with accidents is not half so ridiculous as a bronze frock coat and immaculate bronze trousers that have been the scene of disaster Standing in front of the statue of a great statesman' a man notably tidy in his day and a great worry to his valet I studied the undignified results of a family of sparrows that had set up housekeeping under his elbow and thought how indignant he would be could he catch a glimpse of this unseemly domestic arrangement — Mrs John Lane in Fortnightly Review

Lost Her Prestige.

A New York woman, not being content with the reputation she enjoys of being one of the most beautiful women in her state has literary aspirations Recently she was a guest at luncheon when the conversation drifted to books and plays Various discussions followed The beauty took part and expressed herself freely But when she asked her listeners whether they considered, Ibsen a psychological and pathological writer she handed out a stunner

A graveyard silence reigned until one girl, who was bolder than the rest, asked what pathological meant.

Here is where the beauty lost liter any prestige

"I looked it up a few days ago," she replied, "but I cannot remember just now what it means"—New York Times

German Gleanings.

Germany has 39,202 postoffices.

Houses in Berlin are numbered in luminous paint

Nearly 50,000 square miles of German soil, representing about one-fourth of Germany, have been adapted to foresting and the value of the wood gained therefrom is estimated at $60,-000,000 per year

Germany is systematic in everything, even in crime In the course of the trial of a thief at Cologne the prosecuting lawyer stated that investigation had shown that the prisoner was a graduate of the high school for pickpockets established at Essen

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OLD FAVORITES.

HEAVEN'S HARVEST DAY.

IT may not be our lot to wield
The sickle in the ripened field
Nor ours to hear on summer eves
The reaper's song among the sheaves

Yet when our duty whate'er it be
Is wrought
In unison with God's will thought
The near and future as but one
And whatsoe'er is well done is done

And were this life the utmost span
The only end and aim of man
Better the toil of fields like these
Than waking dream and slothful ease

But life though falling like our grain,
Like that receives and springs again
And early called how blest are they
Who wait in heaven their harvest day
—John G Whittier

MARRIAGE IN HEAVEN.

CRIES Sylvia to a reverend dean
What reasons can be given
Since marriage is a holy thing
That there is none in heaven?
'There are no women' he replied
She quick returns the jest
'Women there are but I'm afraid
They cannot find a priest
—Dodsley

ROCK ME TO SLEEP

BACKWARD turn backward oh time in your flight
Make me a child again just for tonight!
Mother come back from the echoless shore
Take me again to your heart as of yore
Kiss from my forehead the furrows of care
Smooth the few silver threads out of my hair
Over my slumbers your loving watch keep—
Rock me to sleep mother rock me to sleep!

Backward flow backward oh tide of the years!
I am so weary of toil and of tears
Toil without recompense tears all in vain—
Take them and give me my childhood again!
I have grown weary of dust and decay
Weary of flinging my soul's wealth away,
Weary of sowing for others to reap—
Rock me to sleep mother rock me to sleep!

Tired of the hollow the base the untrue
Mother oh mother my heart calls for you!
Many a summer the grass has grown green
Blossomed and faded our faces between
Yet with strong yearning and passionate pain
Long I tonight for your presence again
Come from the silence so long and so deep—
Rock me to sleep mother rock me to sleep!

Over my heart in the days that are flown
No love like mother love ever has shone
No other worship abides and endures
Faithful unselfish and patient like yours
None like a mother can charm away pain
From the sick soul and the world weary brain
Slumber's soft calms o'er my heavy lids creep—
Rock me to sleep mother rock me to sleep!

Come let your brown hair just lighted with gold
Fall on your shoulders again as of old
Let it droop over my forehead tonight
Shading my faint eyes away from the light
For with its sunny edged shadows once more
Haply will throng the sweet visions of yore
Lovingly softly its bright billows sweep—
Rock me to sleep mother rock me to sleep!

Mother dear mother the years have been long
Since I last listened your lullaby song
Sing then and unto my soul it shall seem
Womanhood's years have been only a dream
Clasped to your heart in a loving embrace
With your light lashes just sweeping my face
Never hereafter to wake or to weep—
Rock me to sleep mother rock me to sleep!
—Elizabeth Akers Allen (Florence Percy)

LOST ILLUSIONS.

WHEN I was a beggar boy
And lived in a cellar damp
I had not a friend or a toy
But I had Aladdin's lamp
When I could not sleep for cold
I had fire enough in my brain
And builded with roofs of gold
My beautiful castles in Spain

SINCE then I have toiled day and night,
I have money and power and good store
But I'd give all my lamps of silver bright
For the one that is mine no more
Take Fortune whatever you choose—
You gave and may snatch again
I have nothing twould pain me to lose
For I own no more castles in Spain!
—James Russell Lowell

NOT

NO sun no moon
No morn no noon,
No dawn no dusk no proper time of day
No sky no earthly view
No distance looking blue
No road no street no 'tother side the way
No end to any row
No indications where the crescents go
No top to any steeple
No recognitions of familiar people
No courtesies for showing 'em,
No knowing 'em!
No traveling at all, no locomotion,
No inkling of the way—no notion,
"No go" by land or ocean
No mail no post
No news from any foreign coast
No park, no ring no afternoon gentility
No company, no nobility
No warmth no cheerfulness, no healthful ease
No comfortable feel in any member
No shade, no shine no butterflies, no bees
No fruits no flowers no leaves, no birds
November!
—Thomas Hood

REVENGE.

REVENGE is a naked sword.
It has neither hilt nor guard.
Wouldst thou wield this brand of the Lord?
Is thy grasp then firm and hard?

BUT the closer thy clutch of the blade,
The deadlier blow thou wouldst deal
Deeper wound in thy hand is made—
It is thy blood reddens the steel!

AND when thou hast dealt the blow,
When the blade from thy hand has flown
Instead of the heart of the foe,
Thou ma'st find it sheathed in thine own.
—Charles Henry Webb.

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ODD NAMES OF MINES

Peculiar Titles Given to Some of the Black Hills Claims.

WHIMS OF PIONEER MINERS.

Many of the Early Prospectors Selected the Names of Wives or Sweethearts, Which Stand Now as Reminders of Romances of Bygone Days.

Behind the names of many of the mining claims and mines of every mining district in the west there lies a wealth of romance and history, both pathetic and ludicrous The Black Hills furnish as many and as good examples of the peculiar circumstances under which many claims are named as any locality in the country

One of the best known mines in the southern hills is the Holy Terror Back in the early days this claim was located by an old miner who had worked some years without success The claim was a hard one to work. When the man went home in the evening after locating his claim his wife asked him what he named it. He smiled and told her, 'For you my dear," and her further inquiry drew forth the fact that he had called it Holy Terror An other man once named his claim Gentle Annie for his wife, while still a third perpetuated the memory of his wife, who was a noted clubwoman, by naming his claim Silent Julia

The hills are dotted with the names of claims recalling romances of bygone days Many a young ambitious man came here when the mining boom of the eighties was at its height lured with hope of a fortune, and all that remains to tell the tale is the name of Katie W or Mabel E or Lulu J Many a sweetheart or wife in the faraway east was honored in the naming of a claim that its owner hoped would prove a bonanza Some few made good Witness the Annie Fraction and the Josie, both of which were named for the eastern wives of their owners They are in the Bald mountain district and have produced thousands of dollars for the locators

In the Galena district there is a small abandoned claim known as the Widow with which there goes a story Years ago a youth named Hanley appeared from somewhere with a few thousand and with zeal commenced to sink his money in a hole in the ground in the hope of a vast fortune Back in the old home a little widow waited in vain for the golden wealth he said was sure to come and the wedding day that would celebrate it It took but a short time for the youth's small savings to dwindle away with his inexperience, and chagrined and disheartened he put a bullet through his brain on the site of his blasted hopes

One prospector who worked diligently on a claim which was staked by an outsider and had difficulty in even getting his living expenses secured his revenge by naming his claim Old Persimmon

Men of patriotic turn of mind have chosen names of those famous in history as Washington Lincoln etc Each of the presidents has been remembered from generals all of the states scientific bodies and heroes of the Philippines to Dewey and Funston Indian names by the score are found as Hiawatha Minnehaha and Minnehaha Those of sporting proclivities chose race horses as Nancy Hanks, Salvator Maud S Iced Wilkes Joe Patchen Favorite authors have been remembered, as Dan Fellow Burns and Dickens One student named his group Miltiades Mark Anthony, Attila and Cleopatra

One man of a pessimistic vein chose What's Left and Some Left The average business man in naming claims will choose a simple name and use a series of numbers as for instance, Thomas No 1 Thomas No 2 etc One man favored his wife by calling his claim Red Headed Woman Two adjoining claims are known as On Time and Late

An odd case was known in the name of the Hoodlebug claim which was located by a German and an Irishman and intended by the former to be called Heidelberg When the Irishman recorded the location he had forgotten his partner's selection of a name and said it was something like Hoodlebug which for convenience, was the name recorded

The Prodigal Son lived up to its name by bankrupting its locator, who returned to Iowa at the behest of the father who had put up the funds for the venture Among the names that doubtless conceal stories never known are Old Whiskers She Devil Crack Brain and Crank

Some of the guiches have names that refer to incidents Two Bit was named because a placer miner declared his first panful would yield about two bits Then there are Poor Man's Gulch, Sheepnail Blacktail Whitetail Crooked Arm, Poverty and Prosperity—Deadwood Cor St Louis Republic

The Last Man

Little Willie—Say pa who will be the last man on earth?

Pa—The shoemaker, my son—Chicago News

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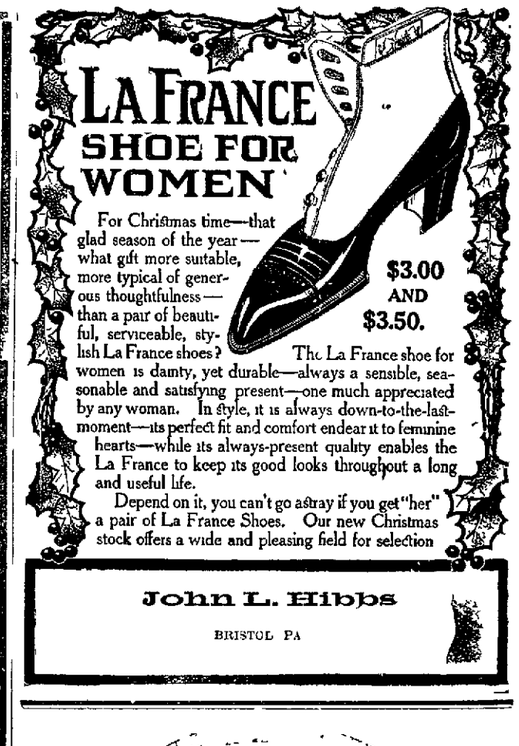

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LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

The Misses Louderbough are at the Devonshire, Atlantic City.

Clarence Ancker, of Asbury Park, spent Thanksgiving with Bristol relatives.

Joseph Wood and family, of Jefferson avenue, have moved to Philadelphia.

A new stack is being erected at the plant of the Bristol Electric Light Co.

Miss Harriet B. Leech is home from Vassar College for the Thanksgiving holidays.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Wiltshire, of Maple street, is seriously ill.

Miss Bertha Thornton is in New York visiting her sister, Miss Laurine Thornton.

Mrs. William C. Sargent, of Milwaukee, was recently here visiting friends and relatives.

Mrs. William Martin goes to Boston, Mass., today to attend the wedding of one of her friends.

Leadom's carpet mill has been closed this week during the annual taking account of stock.

Miss Amelia Houston, of Frankford, spent the forepart of the week with Miss Mary McGinley, Linden street.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ferson have moved into one of the new houses built by P. O. Kidd on Lafayette street.

Mrs. Jesse O. Thomas is spending a fortnight with her daughter, Mrs. George A. Shoemaker at St. Davids, Pa.

Mrs. James Drury has sold her house, 325 Penn street, to Anthony Rich for $1400. The sale was made by Charles A. Wilson.

Charles A. Wilson has sold for Ernest Lawrence the house at the corner of Lafayette and Wood streets to Philip Gangacos for $2000.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Martin Precy and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey L. Danfield spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. Raymond Fabian at Media.

Joseph Hawley, of Duncannon, Pa., who was formerly superintendent of the Bristol rolling mill, was here on a business trip on Monday.

The monthly business meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the residence of Mrs. W. T. Johnston, 412 Cedar street, on December 2nd.

George A. Shoemaker, one of the directors of the Farmers National Bank, leaves tomorrow for Monticello Florida, for a two weeks' gunning expedition.

An entertainment will be held in St. Marks Parochial Hall on Tuesday, December 3rd, afternoon and evening. See advertisement elsewhere in this issue.

Assistant Postmaster and Mrs. W. G. Minster, who have been living at Newportville, have moved into one of James Wright's houses on Cedar street, near Market.

George Parkinson, who for ten years has been the overseer of the drawing department in Steel's mill, has resigned his position. He was the recipient of a number of presents from the employees in his department.

John J. Kilcoyne returned on Saturday from Maryland where he spent several days with some Philadelphia friends on a gunning expedition. Besides bagging a lot of rabbits and other game two wild turkeys were shot.

Louis Sleifert, of Philadelphia, was here last week visiting his brother, John Sleifert, of Washington street, preparatory to going to Seattle, Wash., where he goes to take charge of the wine and liquor stock of the largest hotel in the Puget Sound city.

B. Frank Carver, R. F of Engines, of Wilmington, Del.; Mr. and Mrs. Firman Horner and Dr. Elizabeth Bailey Muccoy, of Washington, D. C., were at "Kingwood" recently visiting their aunt, Anna Bailey King.

Charles Scull, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Frank Scull, died yesterday morning at 6.15 o'clock. The deceased was twenty-seven years old and besides his parents is survived by a widow and two children. Death was caused by pneumonia.

The explosion of a gasoline stove caused considerable excitement but little damage, at the residence of Mrs. Sophia Green on Bath street last Monday morning. About twenty dollars covered the loss. The fire was extinguished with the aid of a garden hose before the arrival of the fire companies.

Mrs. Margaret A. Ernest died yesterday morning at four o'clock at the home of her brother, William B. Blackwood, corner of Radcliffe and Walnut streets. Death was due to cancer. The deceased had been a patient sufferer for several years. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock from her late residence.

We are in receipt of a large photograph showing the interior of the editorial rooms of the Plainfield Daily Press. The picture reveals the classic features of the editor in chief, Ralph L. Morrow, formerly of Bristol, as he is seated at his desk, surrounded by his staff of reporters. Ralph has made a "hit" in the newspaper business.

One of Bristol's talented young ladies was tripping along Radcliffe street the other morning when passing the Coleman House there were huge piles of empty beer kegs on both sides of the sidewalk. As she went through the passage, flanked on either side by the kegs, she gave a toss of her head and exclaimed "Coming thro' the headaches."

List of letters remaining in the Bristol post office for the week ending November 27: Chas. Canson, Alice H. B. Gabam, Clara Garber, Mary E. Grackett, Lizzie Gether, Maud Karnes, Joseph Kelly, J. O. Lane, Harry Pertenson, Kate Pierson, Wm. Reiley, Matilda Smith, Harry Cummings, Vincenzo Frasenlore, Emideo Lufini, Man Agillo, Carlo Leone In Carlo, 2.

Postmaster Minster is unreservedly in favor of the third term idea as applied to the incumbency of postmasters, and expects to be confirmed by the United States Senate as the appointed postmaster at Bristol for the third term of four years. Mr. Minster has given general satisfaction in his office and has brought the local service up to a high state of convenience and efficiency.

The Knights of Columbus gave their annual dance in Pythian Hall on Thanksgiving Eve, which proved one of the most successful events of the season. The hall was elaborately decorated with festoons of greens, while the orchestra rendered its sweetest music behind a bower of palms and ferns. The becoming costumes of the ladies also contributed to the pleasing effect of color.

Refreshments were bounteous and a large cake containing a ring was distributed among the lady friends of the knights, the successful winner of the ring being Mrs. Patrick Keating. Guests were present from Philadelphia and Trenton.

Last week the Pastor's Aid Society of the Baptist Church tendered Rev. Johnston a birthday surprise party in honor of his 43d anniversary. One of the humorous "presents" he received was a large package, which he proceeded to unwrap. He kept on undoing the package until he found there were just forty-three separate bundles each enclosed in the other—that's all. Rev. Johnston received a substantial present, however, of a package containing forty-three fine linen handkerchiefs. Rev. C. E. McClelland, of Philadelphia, was present and gave selections from the "Bonnie Briar Bush." Recitations and music were also part of the programme.

No Typhoid in Bristol.

For nine months there has not been a single case of typhoid fever reported by the physicians of Bristol. This practical wiping out of a dreaded disease is attributed to the fact that filtered water is now furnished to the consumers of Bristol. The Bristol Water Company first began furnishing filtered water about the first of February of this year. During that month there were five cases of typhoid reported. In March there were three cases and since that time, up to yesterday, there has not been a typhoid case reported to the secretary of the Board of Health. Undoubtedly pure water has wrought the beneficial change.

STRONG ANSWERS TO CRITICISMS

President Leech, Superintendent Baggs and Others Take up Criticisms of School Board by Rev. Johnston.

Editor of Gazette:— I have always thought it a mistake to reply to letters of criticism in the paper, but some statements made in communication, signed Wm. T. Johnston, in your issue of last week, are so misleading, either intentionally or from ignorance, I feel citizens should be set right concerning their own affairs.

In the first place, the question being discussed in Doylestown to which he refers was not about schools, but was concerning the Child-Labor Bill, and the attitude of the manufacturer thereto I stated that from my experience the manufacturers were just as good friends to the young workers in the mills as the members of the Child Labor Association, and the mill at which I was employed had a standing order that any young employee, who had a desire for advancement, could go to a Technical School, Business College, Drexel Institute or any night school and the firm would pay for the tuition, and see that they were allowed to leave their work in time to do this. And as proof I would refer your readers to a number who are now going to the Textile School of Philadelphia, the Trenton Business College, and a night school in Bristol.

Mr. Johnston next refers to the amount of money paid by the State to the Bristol schools; that the schools had only 1016 scholars and was paid for 1483 at $1.42 each and that the difference belonged to the children in the mills I would like to ask if he believes here were only 1016 children going to school in Bristol in 1906? Has he forgotten the number who are attending the Parochial school and private schools, or does he want to mislead your readers? The highest number on the roll at any time was 1030, but during the year there had been 1200, add to this about 250 at the Parochial school and the number attending private schools and there are not many left out of his 1483.

I would like to ask Mr. Johnston who are the one or two specially bright ones or favorites that are having the money expended on them and depriving those working in the mills of their rights?

I know of no case of favoritism in our schools. The only case that could be possibly classed as such is one that I feel sure even so severe a critic as Mr. Johnston would not object to. We have one boy in our High School, who by sickness got behind his class, and one of the teachers gave him special lessons in Latin, and another in German to help him along, and this was done in their own time. This was done because the boy was a bright and manly fellow and the teachers knew he could keep up with his class with a little extra help. Does Mr. Johnston blame the School Board for this, should he not rather be thankful, for the boy is his own son.

In regard to the Night School proposition Mr. Johnston knows that the petition presented by him to the School Board was irregular, and he admitted that some of the names should not have been on. The Committee met Mr. Johnston and explained the whole situation to him, told him the position the School Board was in and he knows well that any increased expenditure must be met by an increase of tax. Now, of course, this would not make any difference to Mr. Johnston as he would only continue to pay his 95 cents tax, but the working man who owns his own home, and the man who is trying to buy one, would be the ones to feel the increase of taxation.

The School Board is doing its best to meet the problems before it, but there are many things to consider, and the principal one at this time is to provide room for all the children who should be in school. A new school house will have to be built very soon, but if it is possible to provide room without for a time, it seems to the Board to be advisable, considering the difficulties surrounding the finances of the period.

I repeat what I said at the meeting held at the Baptist Church. The Bristol Schools should have a Kindergarten, Manual Training, Business Course, Musical Department, Gymnasium, and a night school and some day we hope to have them; but they all cost money and we have to consider those who will have to pay it.

It is not the rich man who owns lots of property who will feel it, or the man who pays the one dollar tax, but the men and women who have striven and saved enough to buy a home, these are the ones upon whom the burden would fall most heavily.

It is very easy for a man to wish his pet ideas put into practice, but those who have charge of public affairs must meet all the problems that come before them, and treat them all in a business like way.

WM. V. LEECH,
President Bristol School Board.

Miss Baggs' Reply to Rev. Johnston.

Editor of the Gazette:—In the article by Rev. William T. Johnston, in last week's paper there are several inaccuracies in regard to school statistics which I would like to correct. It is true that the Borough of Bristol receives $1.42 from the state the for each child between the ages of six and sixteen years but the number of such children is taken from the assessors' lists, and this year Bristol Borough was credited with 1483. However, here is the error. I am given as authority for the statement "that the total number of scholars registered last year was 1016. There Mr. Johnston certainly misunderstood. Every month in the report of the School Board's meeting as published in the local papers there will be found the figures for enrollment and attendance. Last year the highest number enrolled for any one month was 1036 but the total number registered for the year was 1200. In addition to that there are at least 250 children in the Parochial and other schools; these are the figures that are sent to Harrisburg on my report. Another item of the report asks for the estimated number of children between the ages of six and sixteen not in school and we give that number as 225, that includes the children in the mills and working at home or elsewhere.

I cannot see how any child is "excluded for the benefit of one or two specially bright ones or favorites." No pupil has one dollar of borough or state money spent on him individually as distinct from his fellows. All have the same opportunity, but the teachers do give generously of her own time before and after school to special cases, and that without any other remuneration than the satisfaction of helping the pupils to stronger, better development. Such cases may include the slow child, the inattentive child, the wilful child or perchance the child who has lost time through no fault of his own and is willing and able to make up the work.

LOUISE D. BAGGS.

Dr. Abbott Resents Accusations.

Mr. Editor:—It would seem that some of our newly-acquired citizens are somewhat disgruntled by the fact that they do not create profound and startling impressions upon the older and more conservative residents of our borough. The agitation of schemes which can have no possible existence and the condemnation of public officers seem to constitute a group of complaints which in time will, if continued, produce an epidemic of baseless fault-finding and unjust criticism.

The responsibility of our officials, it seems to me, should rest upon the shoulders of the gentlemen who are elected to fill those important positions and no one can doubt for a moment the capability or the integrity of those who now hold positions of public trust. They realize the responsibility of such and may be depended upon to carry out to the fullest the duties imposed.

Statements which have no foundation in fact, appearing in public press are, generally speaking, more apt to gain credence or create impressions upon the community at large, than oral declarations and one should be very careful to pen only truthful and uncontrovertable conditions. In line with this thought, I read in the last issue of the Gazette, a charge that the sum of five hundred dollars had been diverted from its proper use as intended by the State or expended on a few favorites in the public school. Can it be possible that the gentleman who made such a charge, could have seriously considered before allowing such a gross error to be published? Can it be possible that the residents of the borough and especially those filling positions of public trust and who have the entire confidence of the thoughtful people, could so far forget their responsibility as to divert the money specifically appropriated from its proper usage? No! No! Mr Editor, the gentlemen whom we have elected to the School Board and other institutions will carry out to the very letter the intentions of the State as to the use of any money thus provided, notwithstanding the accusation made by a recent addition to our community.

As a citizen of Bristol and one who has the welfare of the town at heart, I deplore the continuous misrepresentation of the men whom we have placed in office, and unjust criticisms and accusations should cease if we have any real love for our borough. DR. J. DeR. ABBOTT.

Bristol, November 26, 1907.

Night School and the Law.

Mr. Editor:—After reading W. T. Johnston's letter published in last week's issue of the Gazette, in which he attacked the Public School Board, for refusing to accede to his request to open a night school, and made a direct accusation charging the directors with diverting the State appropriation into improper channels; or in other words, charging that over five hundred dollars of the money appropriated by the State belonged to the children between the ages of fourteen and sixteen years, who were employed in the mills, and instead of the board using it to open night schools for the education of said children, were using it for the benefit of the favored few in attendance at the day schools; I was surprised that one in his position should be so grossly ignorant of the law as to make such a serious and inexcusable mistake.

Instead of the conditions being as represented by him, they are entirely the opposite. The laws of the State treat the subject of night schools under a separate heading and provide that the expenses for the support of such schools shall be defrayed out of the taxes raised for the support of the common schools and the directors are empowered, where advisable, with authority to set aside a part of the taxes for the maintenance of a night school. In order that our citizens may clearly understand the situation, I give in full the law as it stands upon the statute books:

CCCLXXIV. "That the expenses for the support and maintenance of said evening schools shall be defrayed out of the taxes raised for the support of the common schools: Provided, That said School Board may, in making their estimates for the school year, allow and set aside a certain sum for the support and maintenance of said evening schools, and levy and collect their tax rate accordingly."

As the writer understands the situation, the School Board is not opposed to the opening of a night school, but on account of the increase of the children in the day schools, are not only unable to provide proper accommodations for them, but the expenses incurred in the recent opening of new departments, have increased the general disbursements to such an extent, that to open a night school would necessitate an increase in the tax rate. Knowing that the time has come, when a new school building must be erected, the board has been economizing in order to make the burden to the property owners as light as possible, when the tax for building purposes is levied. Instead of censure, it would seem to the writer, that the board is entitled to the indorsement and commendation of the public. Such attacks by Mr. Johnston can only strengthen their position, and exhibit his ignorance on a public matter which he has rushed into print to exploit.

CITIZEN.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL.

The Thanksgiving music will be given on Sunday both morning and evening, and the offertory at both services will be devoted to the choir fund.

Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, 10.30 a. m.

Venite, chant, R. Goodson; Responses, Tullis; Te Deum Laudamus, H. Von Boskerck; Jubilate Deo, J. M Garret; Creed, J. Stanier; Kyrie Eleison, O. J. Elvey; Gloria Tibi, Paxton; Sursum Corda and Sanctus, I. Gamidge; Gloria in Excelsis, C. Zeuner; Amen, J Stainer.

In place of the regular evening service the choir will render the beautiful Thanksgiving cantata, "The Rolling Seasons" by Caleb Simper, with organ and orchestral accompaniment, closing with a chorus, "The Heavens Are Telling," from Creation.

To lovers of sacred music this will be an opportunity which is seldom given in a town of this size. Services commence at 7.30 p. m.

BAPTIST.

On next Sabbath the ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be observed at the morning service. Sunday school at 2 o'clock.

At the men's meeting at four o'clock in the afternoon, State Treasurer William H. Berry will be present and deliver his splendid address, "The Brotherhood of Man." Mr. Berry is an eloquent speaker and a man of fine presence and a large audience should be present to hear him. On Sunday afternoon, December 7, State Senator Tustin, of Philadelphia, will address the men's meeting.

Young People's meeting at 6.30.

At the evening service at 7.45 the pastor will preach upon "The Greatest Question in the World."

METHODIST.

Next Sunday morning at 10 30 the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered.

Sunday school at 2 p. m.

Epworth League at 6.45.

At the services in the auditorium at 7.45 Hon. William H. Berry, State Treasurer, who is a lay minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church, will speak.

At the meeting of the Senior Ushers' Union held on last Monday night the following were nominated for the offices for the ensuing term of six months: President, Abe Lynch, vice president, Samuel Hardy; secretary, J. Milton Potter; Treasurer, Samuel Williams. The union decided to purchase a number of new games for the pleasure and profit of the members, and to make the rooms as attractive as possible. The rooms are open on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday evenings.

The bazaar of the sewing school will open on Friday afternoon, the 6th of December, and will be open on Friday night, Saturday afternoon and evening. Tickets, 15 cents, including ice cream and cake. Don't miss it. A good chance for buying Christmas presents.

ST. JAMES.

The usual services will be held in St. James Church next Sunday morning and evening. Holy communion at 7.30 and 10.30 o'clock.

Sunday school and Evening Prayer at 7.30 o'clock.

Miss Etta North's Sunday school class will hold a chocolate social in the parish hall on Wednesday evening, December 4th, for the benefit of the coal fund. Tickets, ten cents. Home-made candy and ice cream will be on sale.

A Thanksgiving service was held yesterday at 10.30 a. m.

PRESBYTERIAN.

Next Sabbath Communion service at 10.30 a. m.

Preparatory service on Friday evening at 7.45. Sermon by Rev. Hugh B. McCrone, of Manayunk.

"Kaffee Klatch" on Tuesday evening in the church dining room. Tickets, 10 cents.

TULLYTOWN METHODIST.

The usual services will be resumed next Sunday.

Sunday school at 3.30.

Christian Endeavor at 7.30, followed by sermon.

Ladies of the church are preparing for a roast pig supper to be held Wednesday evening, December 11.

EMILIE METHODIST.

Pastor will preach at the usual hour Sunday morning.

Sunday school at 9.45 a. m.

Christian Endeavor at 7.30 p. m. All invited.

☞Hand-painted china novelties for wedding presents and prizes, from $1.00 up, Douglass Pharmacy.

THIRTY-TWO YEARS AGO

An Interesting Budget of Local Items Gleaned from the Files of the Gazette of Issues of November, 1875.

Thirty-two years ago, in 1875, by glancing over old files the Gazette, we learn that some of the same public questions that are agitating the public mind were live topics of discussion and controversy then. One correspondent says for instance: "Temperance men after long, earnest and laborious effort succeeded in securing local option for several of our counties—it was in operation only one year, and just as its benefits began to be manifest the legislature of last winter repealed it. Now what right had they to do this? None at all, for the law was established for three years—it was clearly an act of usurpation."

The extravagance of the Democratic Board of County Commissioners, was another source for much condemnation in 1875. Democratic commissioners in Bucks, even until today, seem to have an inherited inclination to spend public money unwisely. The Gazette in an editorial, which although thirty-two years old, sounds like a criticism of late Democratic board of commissons, says: "Bucks County Commissioners have not been backward in building bridges. They have spent money lavishly and put up some fine structures in different parts of the county. They have been far from niggardly in regard to this particular branch of their duties and have frequently ordered bridges, which cost large sums of money to build, where there was but little travel and where they were not needed." What the Gazette particularly complained of was, that while these expensive county bridges were being built, the only toll-bridge in this county remained, crossing the Neshaminy at Schenck's (now Croydon,) and that the trade of Bristol was cut off considerably by reason of the exorbitant toll charged. It cost a farmer living in Bensalem township forty cents toll every time he came to Bristol and returned home.

The result of the vote in Bucks county, November 2, 1875, showed a Democratic majority of about 300. The whole Democratic ticket was elected. Pershing, the Democratic candidate for Governor, had a majority of 287 over Harrantt, the Republican nominee. The latter's majority was 85, in Montgomery county, 17,282 in Philadelphia, and 11,810 in the State.

Among the local items which appeared in the November issues in 1875 were the following:

Edward C. Brudon's stolen chickens were found in a bag on Forge road.

The new steamboat Columbia building for the Delaware River Steamboat Company by a Wilmington firm, will cost over $100,000.

Among the married notices were these: By Rev. Dr. Knox, Frederick King and Madeline Welk, both of Bristol—By Rev. J. S. Cook, Harry Scott and Barbara A. Hagaman, of Newtown. In Newportville, by Rev. A. J. Collom, Joseph L. Booz and Sarah A. Milnor. By Rev. Cook, Franklin H. Maple and Laura V. Tomlinson, of Attleboro (now Langhorne). By Rev. C. E. Harden, Edward V. Beane and Clara H. Pettit, of Bristol. By Rev. Harden, at the Bristol Baptist parsonage, Madison Boneau, of Davisville, and Clara V. Everitt, of Newportville. By Rev. Harden, William Johnson and Maggie Fisher, of Bristol.

James Wright is chronicled as leaving Bristol for Montreal to visit relatives and friends.

There is considerable "kicking" at this time over the threat of raising the price of milk but it was just thirty-two years ago, almost to the day that Bristol dealers raised the price of milk to ten cents per quart.

Two of the persons mentioned in the following notice are now deceased, but the other two are still gunning: Charles E. Scott, Arthur Dorrance, Hazel Hibbs and J. A. Martin left Bristol for Maryland on a hunting expedition. The reporter observed that "they expect to bring back large quantities of game in the course of a week or two."

Thirty-two years is not a great length of time, but in that period many changes can be wrought. It is to be noted that in names of those given as being present at a regular meeting of borough council only one is now living, Mr. Scott. Those recorded as being present on November 8, 1875, were—Charles E. Scott, burgess; G. W. Peirce, H. M. Wright, A. L. Packer, James M. Slack, S. S. Rue, Samuel Pike, M. A. Walmsley and J. Wesley Wright. Among the business matters transacted was granting a petition from the A. M. E. church, for an oil lamp in front of the church on Pond street. The Nuisance committee was instructed to have nuisances in the shape of offensive pig pens abated.

Bills to the amount of $99.29 were passed, of which amount $70.20 was for lamps and burners for lamps. George S. Silbert was paid $1.50 for "keeping prisoner" and J. W. Closson received $3.75 for "keeping tramps." The other items making up the boroughs total expense for the month were, J. W. Wright, relief orders, $22.26 and Samuel Pike, hardware, $1.58.

In those days, "back yonder," Burlington sent its New York mail to Bristol to be forwarded to destination from this point. The American Hose, Hook and Ladder Co., secured Masonic hall for the purpose of holding a fair. Administrators of the estate of James B. Pennington, deceased, sold at the Town Hall, the following stocks: A thirty-second share of the three-masted schooner, "Sallie M. Evans," to W. Kinsey Evans, for $260; a thirty-second of the schooner, "Annie E. Stevens," to J. B. Hutchinson, for $800; a thirty-second of the schooner, "William Tice" to Charles Sturdevant for $800; five shares of the Bristol Water Company to William Kinsey for $22 per share.

Church Choir Entertainment.

On last Saturday the male members of the choir of St. Pauls Episcopal Church, of Bristol, and their wives and a few friends spent a social evening at the house, corner of Jefferson avenue and Wood streets. A committee composed of Messrs. Wilkinson, Schofield, Burtonwood, Mrs. Neil and Miss Casper, arranged a bountiful tea which was enjoyed by all. After tea the male members of the choir entertained their friends with a number of songs, duets, glees and choruses. Miss Lupton, who took the principal alto parts in the cantata "The Rolling Seasons," rendered several songs.

The occasion was one of the most delightful social events that has ever been held in connection with the church, and the seventy-five persons present expressed their thanks to the committee for the pleasure afforded them. During the evening St. Pauls Choir Guild was organized and the following officers were elected: President, Harry Wilkinson; treasurer, James Emmett; secretary, Wesley Bunting; assistant secretary, Mrs. Neil; librarian, Isaiah Burtonwood; assistant librarian, Joseph Burtonwood.

A Bijou Dream for Bristol.

The three-story brick building at 116 and 118 Mill street, opposite Wright's hardware store, has been sold by the Porter estate for $2900 to a Philadelphian, who is said to conduct the amusement enterprises at Woodside Park. The building will be remodelled and a fifty-foot addition built in the rear. The front will be remodelled on the plan of the moving picture show enterprises of Philadelphia. A large dance floor will be fitted up on the second floor and an up-to-date moving picture theatre provided on the first floor. An offer has been made to L. J. Bevan for the purchase of the 10-foot wide lot adjoining the property on the east. An offer has also been made to the present tenant of the building, P. J. Johnson, to vacate immediately.

Will Move to Hulmeville.

Jesse O. Everitt, former Clerk of the Orphans' Court, of Newportville, has purchased the old postoffice building on Main street, Hulmeville, from the estate of George Douglass, deceased. Mr. Everitt has embarked in the public sale and general business agency line and will shortly remove to his new property and utilize same as a business office and residence. The purchase price was $3,000.

BRISTOL ELKS WILL HOLD MEMORIAL SERVICE

Hon. Frank B. McClain and Hon. Henry F. Walton Will be Present and Deliver Orations.

Bristol Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, will hold its annual public memorial service in St. Marks Parochial Hall on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock.

In Elkdom the first Sunday in December is set aside as a time when Elks throughout the land gather to pay tribute to the memory of "our absent brothers."

Bristol Lodge has arranged an exceedingly impressive ceremony for this occasion to which the public is cordially invited to attend. Tickets of admission may be obtained from any member of the order. Several noted speakers and prominent Elks have been secured to deliver addresses—Hon. Frank B. McClain, of Lancaster, Speaker of the House of Representatives; Hon. Henry F. Walton, the former Speaker of the House, and J. P. Hale Jenkins, Esq., the prominent Norristown lawyer. An orchestra under the direction of Charles Grim will furnish music.

The Lodge as a body will sing several choruses. Frank Embick and Mr. Weldner, of Philadelphia, will render vocal solos. Exalted Ruler Howard I. James will make the opening remarks. After the opening ceremonies and ode, prayer will be offered by Chaplain W. V. Leech, Secretary Doron Green will speak in memory of "Our Absent Brother." Walter Groves will render a cornet solo, "The Holy City," which will be followed by an eulogy by Speaker McClain. A tenor solo by Mr. Embick will precede an address by Former Speaker Walton. A vocal solo by Mr. Weldner is to be followed by an eulogy by Mr. Jenkins. Ephraim Troxell will give a trombone solo, "The Palms." Then follows the closing exercises.

Bristol Lodge has over two hundred members who will be seated upon the stage. The new auditorium at St. Marks School will comfortable seat about 900, not counting the space on the stage.

NOVEMBER WEDDINGS.

YOUNG—SCOTT.

A quiet wedding took place at the Methodist Episcopal parsonage on Wednesday evening, November 27, at 7.30 o'clock when John K. Young, the Bath street druggist, one of Bristol's well known and highly respected citizens, was married to Miss Susan M. Scott, also of Bristol. The ceremony was perormed by the Rev. D. Mast Gordon, pastor of the Bristol Methodist Episcopal Church.

BARNHILL—WILLIAMS.

On Wednesday of this week J. Clarence Barnhill, son of Mr and Mrs. William A. Barnhill, of Wood street, and Miss Clara M. Williams, daughter of Mrs. George W. Williams, of Otter street, were united in marriage at Columbia, Pa., by Rev. Dr. Charles H. Rorer, former pastor of the Bristol Methodist Church. For six years the bride was a faithful, competent and valued member of the Gazette staff, and we extend our heartiest congratulations. Mr. Barnhill is a popular young man who has a host of friends. He is a prominent member of the Algonquin Club and the local lodge of Elks. Mr. and Mrs. Barnhill will be at home after December 15th at 150 Otter street.

FENTON—WOODEN.

James Fenton, Jr., of Bristol, and Miss Gertrude Wooden, of Burlington, N. J., were married at the "Little Church Around the Corner," in New York, on Wednesday, November 27. The bride and groom will make their home in Bristol at one of the new houses on Lafayette street erected by P. O. Kidd.

ROGERS—DOYLE

William B. Rogers, Jr., of Bristol, and Miss Regina J. Doyle, of Philadelphia, were married last evening at the home of the bride's parents, North Broad street. Mr. and Mrs. Rogers will make their home in New York.

Death of a Former Bristolian.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 26, 1907.

Editor of the Gazette:—At the Methodist Church in Bristol services were held last Saturday over the remains of Mrs. Margaret E. Rankin, who died in Washington, D. C., on November 21st, at the age of 87 years. Previous to her removal to Washington, in 1884, Mrs. Rankin was for many years a resident of Bristol and was well known by almost everyone in the town, by reason of her prominence in charitable and temperance work. She was especially interested in industrial schools and homes and in the cause of home missions.

She could not be called an enthusiast, but her zeal in whatever she undertook was influential in securing final success where enthusiasm alone would have become discouraged. She spent much time in hunting up people in need of help and in finding those who would render assistance. In her own life she put in practice the charity she urged upon others for she adopted and educated three girls, two of whom are still living to do honor to her memory; besides this homes were found for other orphan children through her influence. For the past ten years she was an invalid and confined to her room, but her activity and interest in affairs continued until very recently. Her practical christianity won respect in her old home, where she spent her earlier years, as well as in the new home where her later years passed peacefully away and where she died. D. M.

Catholic Women Organize.

Bristol Council, No. 268, Catholic Women's Benevolent Legion, was instituted in A. O. H. Hall on Tuesday evening. The work of organizing the new council was performed by Mrs. Ellen Rafferty, of New York, who was assisted by Mrs. Mary E. Stewart, Mrs. Catherine Schaffor, Mrs. Mary McCann, Miss Elizabeth Schaeffer and Miss McCann, of Trenton. The new council starts off with a membership of twenty-five, and the following officers were chosen: President, Mrs. Annie Hussey; Vice-President, Mrs. Bridget Roche; Chancellor, Mrs. Hannah Welsh; Secretary, Mrs. Catherine Dafter; Financial Secretary, Miss Mary Harkins; Treasurer, Miss Annie O'Donnell; Orator, Miss Annie McHugh; Marshall, Miss Mary Mulhearn; Guard, Miss Margaret McGinley; Trustees, Mrs. McHugh, Mrs. William Costigan and Miss Catherine McIlvaine

At the close of the business session a luncheon was served. The local council will meet next Monday evening and twice a month thereafter. The order is a fraternal and beneficial one and has a membership of over 80,000.

Financial Styles from Life.

Blue will be the prevailing color this winter, although the standard shades of green and gold will still be very popular. In mixed goods, figues will be much smaller and there will not be so many checks. It is likely that a few stripes will be won, but the stripes will go around the body instead of up and down.

The green goods will be made up more simply and with fewer trimmings than last season, although there will be not a few ruffles. Wastes will be shorter.

Fronts are not so straight as they were and everything will be tight, with a few gathers here and there. Many veils will be raised.

Very little velvet will be seen.

High School Notes.

The third attraction of the lecture course in the High School Hall will be Friday evening, Dec. 6th. Mr. Lee Francis Lybarger will give his lecture "How to be Happy."

Miss Rodrock's room, sixth year, had all present Tuesday morning in spite of the snow so they carried their flag at the head of the line at noon dismissal. This is the fourth time they carried it this month.

The schools were closed on Thanksgiving Day.

Levi Allen escaped death by a narrow margin last Saturday night, when he deliberately walked in front of a trolley car at the lower end of Otter street. The man was under the influence of liquor at the time and suddenly and before the motorman could stop the car, Allen plunged in front of the car and was dashed to the ground. He was taken to a Philadelphia hospital and has improved sufficiently that he will soon return home.

BOARD OF TRADE ORGANIZED

Tullytown Association Formed for Civic Improvement at a Mass Meeting.

Bowed by the weight of lethargic years, Tullytown has at last aroused itself from its languid state and girded up its loins ready to contest with its neighbors for the prizes of business activity.

To this end a mass meeting was held in Red Men's Hall on Tuesday evening and the Tullytown Improvement Association was organized. A hundred persons, including a fair proportion of ladies, were present and a constitution and by-laws were adopted. The association proper will also embrace several subsidiary organizations, including the Board of Trade, a fire company, a literary society and land and garden improvement society. Any white person over thirteen years of age will be eligible to membership.

Tuesday's meeting was presided over by A. B. Shoemaker, and F. B. Gillingham acted as temporary secretary.

Mr. Shoemaker stated the objects of calling the residents of Tullytown together and the secretary read the minutes of the former preliminary meeting.

The constitution and by-laws as drafted by the committee was read, and later adopted by sections. The objects of the association were stated to be to promote the financial, moral, spiritual and intellectual welfare of the people of the borough. In taking up the various proposed branches of the association for discussion, Rev. William J. Wright spoke of the needs of a fire company.

The benefits to be derived from concerted work for home and garden improvement in order to make the appearance of the town attractive to strangers, as well as to residents, was dwelt upon by Rev. O. J. Randall. He also spoke forcefully of the proposed organization and said by the constitution of the various departments all of the residents should become interested in the work.

Mr. Shoemaker discussed the project of a Board of Trade, which he said would be an agency for doing much material good.

Mr. Gillingham spoke of the value of a literary society which would be the means of training the young in public speaking and causing them to become interested in public affairs.

Mr. Randall expounded the constitution and outlined the unique organization.

Mr. Wright said that within the borough limits of Tullytown there were acres of valuable land, with every facility, rail and water, for ideal manufacturing sites, and yet there was but a single industry in the town—a paint works employing one man who worked only part of the time.

The chairman was authorized to appoint a nominating committee of five to present two or more names as candidates for each office to report at a meeting next Tuesday evening when permanent officers will be elected. The chair appointed on that committee Messrs. Randall, Gillingham, W. J. Wright. Frank Wright and Michael Brennan.

Among those present at the meeting were the following prominent residents: Rev. O. J. Randall, pastor of the Methodist Church; Rev. W. J. Wright, of the Christian Church; A. B. Shoemaker, Theodore Burton, John Burton, F. B. Gillingham, William H. Cummins, Frank Carlen, Michael Brennan, Jacob White, William H. Dunk, Charles Carlen, Charles Garrison, Harry Starkey, Elwood Leland, Mrs. Gillingham, Mrs. Randall and others.

HORSE THIEF IS LANDED

James McCormick, who about two months ago obtained a horse and wagon at the Closson House stables and failed to return them, was arrested in Bristol last night by Officer Fallon. McCormick was recognized last evening as he was visiting the saloons. The police officer was notified and the man taken into custody. A hearing was held before 'Squire Kraft this morning and in default of $1200 bail the prisoner will be taken to the county jail to await trial.

He Wants to Know.

Editor Gazette:—A deeper waterway is very fine, but how about the old canal from Bristol to Easton, by which we used to get good coal for $4 and $4.50 per ton. Can't you make an investigation of this matter? D. H. WRIGHT.

1420 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

[The Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company, which owns the canal is dominated by the same interests that own the coal fields and the railroads. The canal, years ago, was absorbed by those interests to destroy the competition in carrying coal to tidewater. Ed]

A Warning to Firemen.

"The Bell and Horn; or, the Soldiers of Fire," a lecture delivered to firemen, by the Rev. William Henry Bown, may not be of any interest to you at this time, but if you should be called upon to make a speech, or to say a few words at a meeting of firemen, you would give a dollar to have the use of a copy for half an hour. We have about one hundred copies left over from a large edition. They contain a picture of the author, the lecture itself; and best of all, ten outlines for speeches, addresses, orations, etc. We charge twenty-five cents for each copy—cash or stamps. But remember, we take no stock in the picture, and little in the lecture. The main thing is the outlines. They will help you make a great speech. Send twenty-five cents to this office. Address: Bucks County Gazette, Bristol, Pa. Be sure to give your name and address.

The engagement has been announced of James O'Donnell, of Bristol, and Miss Anna Krommes, of Freeland, Pa.

A sausage four feet long and one foot thick formed the wedding cake at a Hanover butcher's wedding a short time ago.

☞Stop that cough! Take Magnetic Cough Syrup, 25c a bottle. Sold by Douglass, the druggist.

In Memoriam.

PATTERSON—In sad but loving remembrance of Sarah C. Patterson, who entered into rest Nov. 25, 1903.

Hear what the voice from Heaven has said
To those in Christ have died,
Released from all their earthly cares,
They reign with him on high.

Then why lament for departed friends
Or shake at death's alarms,
Death's but the servant Jesus sends
To call us to his arms.

Our loved one has gone from us;
To rest from toil and care.
But while her form rests in the sod
Her spirit roams with God.

Sadly missed by the family.

WRIGHT—In loving remembrance of Ethel Beatrice Wright, who died December 4, 1904

MOTHER AND SISTERS.

"SHAKE IT OFF.

Rid Yourself of Unnecessary Burdens—A Pennsylvania Citizen Shows You How.

Don't bear unnecessary burdens.
Burdens of a bad back are unnecessary.
Get rid of them.
Doan's Kidney Pills cure bad back;
Cure lame, weak and aching backs;
Cure every form of kidney ills.
Lots of local endorsement to prove this.

Mrs. Casper Krug, of 116 North Fourth street, Reading, Pa; says: "You are at liberty to repeat the statement I made for publication in 1897 in which I told of the great benefit I had derived from the use of Doan's Kidney pills. For years I had pains in the small of my back very sharp and penetrating and when I stooped or lifted anything it was additionally severe. It even caused me to suffer when I was lying in bed and it was difficult for me to turn over. I tried numerous remedies, but never seemed to get any benefit until I used Doan's Kidney Pills. They cured me and I have had no more trouble from kidney complaint. Seven years have passed and and I have never regretted making the statement which I made at that time, on the contrary it gives me pleasure to state that the cure then effected by Doan's Kidney pills has remained permanent."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

RANDOM REFLECTIONS.

WE BEG TO DIFFER!

A sleeping man is of little use to the world, nor can he do much toward helping himself. Next to the sleeping man in point of usefulness to society at large is the man whose life is being spent in idleness, trifling amusements, unprofitable conversation and unworthy pursuits.

To be awake is the very opposite of being asleep. The man who is awake will follow, or lead, the men who have compassion for a sick and troubled world; will become a benefactor to the world; will be found in the storm of life among its devious currents, in its treacherous calms—near its sunken reefs—by the side of its light-houses, trying to help himself and humanity. Such a man will defy worldly policy and self-interest, and despise the sleeping man's egregious self-absorption.

We have such men in Bristol, despite the fact that their methods of handling certain subjects, or approaching certain well defined outlines of work, do not appeal to all of the citizens of our community. But this fact only enhances their personal value. Men are born to differ on the great fundamental issues of their day; but let them differ. Anything is better than stagnation. Indifference is next to death. Only let them be sure that they do differ, before they begin to throw stones.

Wide-awake men are needed in our day to arouse the men who care nothing for the purity of social life, or the betterment of national government. But such men must expect to meet with opposition to their expressed or unexpressed views, even though in many respects they stand for the attainment of the same object.

THE NEED OF THE HOUR.

Just as it is with individuals, so it is with nations. Nations go to sleep. The Israelites, in the height of their prosperity, went down into Egypt, and sank into a nation of slaves. Egypt, herself, went to sleep. Cleopatra died and Egypt became a Roman province, then Rome went to sleep. And our own glorious nation is in danger of going to sleep on the great moral questions of our day. This is why we are called upon by our wide-awake thinkers and workers to arouse ourselves. There is danger ahead. We are getting down among the leeks, and the melons, and the flesh-pots, and the cucumbers. There are subjects that demand constant and vigorous treatment—such subjects as restricted or unrestricted immigration; restrained or unrestrained Mormonism; open or shut Sunday's; wet or dry policies, and many more. But we do not despair. Everywhere in history there is to be found the same rise and fall; the same strength and weakness, there will be a way out. History repeats itself. A man, or many men, will be provided at the right time.

Asia is the cradle of the human race. Europe is an advance upon Asia. America ought to be, and will be in due time, an advance upon Europe. The whole civilized world by the inventions of the press, the power of steam, and electricity, is becoming more and more one international and inter-continental community. Time and space are almost annihilated. We read at our leisure what was done yesterday in foreign lands.

Europe is in its middle age; America is a youth. We have no Pyramids like Egypt; no Colosseum like Rome; no venerable Cathedrals like Winchester and Cologne; no libraries like the Vatican and the British Museum; no universities like Oxford and Berlin; no art collections like Paris and Florence; no poets like Shakespeare and Milton, but we have some truly wonderful things.

We have the social teaching of the brotherhood of man. We have a school system that is destruction of ignorance and physical weakness. We have a religious freedom that enters into our practice of Christian patriotism. These are the things that cause us to love the land of our nativity. Not that we have any animosity or prejudice toward any other country. but just because love is consistent with affection for our own country.

But this love, no matter how unselfish it may be—should not blind our eyes to existing evils. We should be willing to see and hear it. The earth may be green, but there are dead men's bones under the earth. Now and then they come to the surface. It will never do to say, "my party, right or wrong!" We must "right" the party. We must acknowledge the law of right. We must look higher than the worldly policy and expediency. We must look for just principles and holy purposes, and we must bring them to bear upon the dark places of the land.

OUR GOLDEN ERA.

The eye of man, ancient or modern, never looked upon such a sight as presents itself to one standing before the pictured history of our country. Language is positively inadequate to convey a proper idea of its proportions, or its prosperity. Every term of commendation and laudation is weak, the best pictures yet made of our nation, together with the best descriptions from the pens of the most imaginative writers utterly fail to express the thoughts of the modern students of our wonderful country.

From the great daily, weekly, and monthly newspapers and magazines, the eye of the historical beholder, sweeping around the national horizon, drinks in without fatigue, the historic outline of the country, and the apparently inexhaustable fecundity of the land. Here are hundreds of beautiful lakes; hundreds of splendid cities, and the most magnificent display of the world's wealth ever gathered together in national life by mankind.

What, therefore, is the nation itself? How does it impress the imagination of the beholder? How enlarge his faculties and increase his fund of knowledge? In what way is all conducive to a higher standard of civilization—to a more devout recognition of the image of the Creator in man? Upon the proper answers of some such heart-searching questions, depends the upward trend of our moral and spiritual national existence.

"Despite it all," says Richard H. Edmonds, "and remembering none of these things and caring less; instead of reverently calling the people to thanksgiving and rejoicing for the blessings we enjoy and invoking a Divine blessing in the continuation of this golden era which lights up all civilization with its brightness, the agitator is seeking to create unrest and unhappiness by creating a false atmosphere, fatal, if continued, to the highest business development. The agitator of today and the mob spirit which follows him are like the pessimist of whom it has been said, 'When given the choice of two evils he gladly takes them both.' It is time for the American people to stop and think ere they destroy the goose that is so busy laying golden eggs."

A patent for paper waistcoats has been taken out in Switzerland. They will cost only four cents, and are said to be warmer than a woolen garment.

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CHRISTMAS

Why not secure your gifts by leaving a deposit. Come and select them now before we have the rush on. All kinds of dolls, such beauties, ranging in prices from 8 cents to $5.00.

Go carts, carriages, beds, cradles, etc. All kinds of iron and mechanical toys, games, books, ladies and children's furs.

A beautiful assortment of china and jewelry.

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If not it's your fault because I have something which I have proved by personal experience that will make the hens fill your egg basket. Call or write to me and order some of my

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LOST—On Radcliffe St. or Jefferson Avenue, Thanksgiving morning, a diamond ring. Initials "G. R. F to K. W. G." on inside. Liberal reward if returned to Gazette office.

REFINED, experienced middle-aged woman desires position as managing housekeeper or companion. Box 64, Woodbourne, Pa.

MALE HELP—Mail clerk, 18 to 35 years old. Traveling short distances. Can live at home if desirous. $800 yearly to start, promotions. State age, height, weight. Working person preferred. 314 Drexel Building, Philadelphia.

FOR SALE—Edison Phonograph, two reproducers playing on record at same time, 70 new style records carrying case holding 48, two 14-inch brass horns, two stands and covers, recorder, shaver, ear tube, etc. Outfit cost $100, will sell for $25. George B. Cherry Bridgewater.

FOR SALE—My bay mare, Lady, 14 hands high, Harness, runabout, robe and blankets. A Bargain. Sold for want of use. Mrs. W. H. Yost, 231 Dorrance Street

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—Two yearling heifers; six nine-months old pigs. Heitzman & Ellis, 531 Maple St., Bristol. 11-22-3t

DRESS MAKING—Mrs. F. Mitchener, 119 Pond street, Bristol. 11-22 3t

HOME-MADE MINCE MEAT two pounds for 25 cents, and fruit cake at 30 cents a pound at Mrs. Vanzant's, 126 Buckley street, Bristol. 11 22-3t

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Will be sold at public sale on

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At Severn's Hotel, Fallsington, Pa.,
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At each place I will have a large lot of extra good and fine HARNESS light and heavy, single and double, a good selection of different grades of Harness and strap work.

75 HORSE BLANKETS, consisting of extra large and fine wool square, team adjustable and stable blankets and other stable supplies.

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W. S. LAPP.

In case of stormy weather we will sell under cover. 11-22-2t

Peremptory Public Sale of the Real Estate of the late Barclay L. Roberts.

Will be sold at Public Sale upon the premises, situate near the village of Andalusia, in Bensalem township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, on

Saturday, December 14th, 1907,
at 2 o'clock in the afternoon,

the valuable forty-acre farm belonging to the estate of Barclay L. Roberts, deceased, adjoining lands of Col E. V. Morrell, H. Wallace, estate of Charles McFadden, deceased, and others.

The improvements consist of a large, well apportioned brick and stone mansion, 45 x 45 feet, with frame kitchen in rear. The main house is three stories high, containing twelve rooms, with porch in front, side and a part of the rear of the building. Well shaded lawn in front of mansion. Upon the premises is a frame barn, stone stable high, 38 x 48 feet, with frame wagon house attached. Frame carriage house, 18 x 16 feet, two and one-half stories high. Also corn crib, and a long frame building divided into convenient apartments for hogs, chickens and cattle, wells of excellent and never failing water at both barn and house.

There is a fine grove of chestnut, hickory and oak trees upon the premises containing about one acre. The farm is in the highest state of cultivation possible for any land to attain. This property is beautifully situated on what is known as the Frankford and Bristol turnpike road, one mile from the Philadelphia county line, twelve miles from the heart of Philadelphia City, ten minutes walk from the Andalusia station and Cornwells station, on the New York division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, the Philadelphia, Bristol and Trenton Street Railway Company's line passes the door. Real estate in this locality is rapidly enhancing in value on account of its desirability for suburban residence, and this property is especially valuable for this purpose by reason of the lay of the land and its large front on the recently macadamized turnpike road. It will be worth the while of any one desiring to purchase a desirable home to attend this sale, as the property will positively be sold to close the estate. Conditions will be made known on day of sale.

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JOHN C. STUCKERT,
Attorneys in fact for the heirs.

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The Prospector.

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BRENTWOOD, prospector, struggled up until he came to a sharp spur, around which he was flattening himself to pass, when he saw a man just beyond crouching over a crevice from which grew some twisted roots topped by green leaves. He was holding the point of a pick in his hands and was apparently trying to pry out the roots. As Brent appeared the man sprang to his feet, his face expressing startled fright, followed almost instantly by anger.

"What ye doin' here?" he demanded fiercely.

"Prospecting," Brent answered.

The man's hands tightened convulsively upon the pick, and he seemed half minded to spring forward and use it as a weapon. Then his hands relaxed.

"Well, he threatened, "ye mosey back jest as fast 's the Lord 'll let ye. If ye don't"—

Oh, tut, tut, man!" interrupted Brent carelessly. "This is too large a country for one person to monopolize. What you digging those roots for—to eat?"

The man only glared.

Yes, I see you are," affably. "I've been crowded down to them myself before now But they're not fit for a cayote to chew on except to keep off starvation -though, if you'll excuse me, you look as if you'd had roots as a steady diet for quite a spell. But see here," suddenly, "suppose you come down to my camp in front of the big cave. I'm laying out for a regular down east supper tonight, with everything but pie, and I'd like you to join me We might explore the cave afterward by torchlight. It looked interestingly risky. But why"—

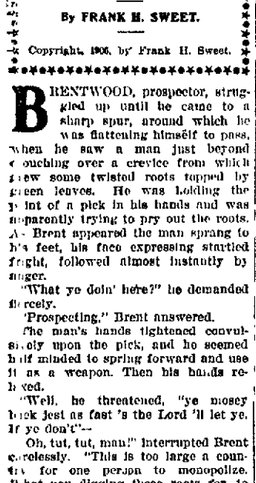
He did not finish the sentence, for the man had suddenly choked out caution and was now hurrying in the opposite direction, stumbling and muttering as he ran. Brent looked after him pityingly

'Loony," he thought. "Prospected till he got out of provisions and then went crazy Poor fellow!"

He returned to camp soberly. The water was now boiling merrily, and he poured into it nearly a quart of white beans. They would do for his morrow's dinner, as he wished to spend the entire day prospecting

Several generous slices of ham were cut and spread in a frying pan and with them half a dozen eggs. Then he opened a package of bacon and peeled and sliced the onions and made the coffee. The air was soon fragrant with their cooking, and above all the rest arose the rich, pungent smell of the onions.

Several times during the preparations for supper Brent thought he heard noises from the growth above



HE WAS HOLDING A PICK IN HIS HAND.

the cave, but attributed them to a prowling bear or panther. As the supper progressed, however, and the odors grew stronger the noises increased. Suddenly he was startled to his feet by a hoarse cry:

'Good Lord, men! I can't stand it no longer. That's worth all the gold in Alaska."

'Right ye are, pard," came another voice, savage with repressed longing "It's money. I'm goin' to have a bit o' that or die."

There was a pushing aside of the bushes, and three figures came plunging and falling down the declivity, apparently to their destruction, though they checked the fall somewhat by grasping at occasional bushes and fissures. In an instant, it seemed, they were standing beside the campfire, wild, dishevelled, fierce. In one of them Brent recognized the root eater of an hour before.

"Got any more o' that grub, mate?" demanded the larger of them, a gaunt giant with white hair and beard that covered his shoulders.

"Plenty," responded Brent, recovering himself quickly. "I allowed for enough to meet a good appetite two days but it won't be anywhere now. Here, you fellows look pretty hungry. Suppose you sit down and help yourselves while I'm cooking a new lot; then I'll join you."

Simultaneously and without a word the three reached for the fried onions. When the new lot was ready the old was entirely done, even to the last scrap of bacon rind, and the three were watching Brent's skilful movements with ravenous but appreciative eyes. Not until their appetites were entirely satisfied and they had moved back, wiping their mouths upon their hands, did one of them speak. Then the white haired giant nodded sociably to Brent.

"Prospectin'?" he asked.

"Yes."

"Well, slowly, "I reckon we'll have to let ye in—on a small lay, mebbe. After eatin' that supper we couldn't plan for nothin' hostile. How much grub ye got?"

"A three months' allowance for one man."

"That's three weeks for four men, or a month, mebbe, with moderation. Plenty, I reuess, to carry us through."

Brent smiled sarcastically.

"Don't you think it might be a good idea to ask my consent first?" he asked

"We're three men, an' you ain't but one," composedly. "Though, of course, that don't matter now. After the supper we couldn't be hostile. Anyway, ye'll be ready to come in all right, even on the smallest lay, soon's ye know. Seems odd, don't it"—reflectively—"but jest the smell o' that supper was all that saved your life. Oh, I don't mind tell in' now," at the inquiry in Brent's eyes, "long 's ye come in this cave, an' Dikker there heard ye speak 'bout explorin' it. That left but one thing for us to do. We was hid up there with our guns p'inted, an' we was goin' to give ye ten minutes to pack up an' git. If ye didn't, an' from what Dikker said we knowed ye wouldn't, we was goin' to shoot. There wouldn't be nothin' else we could do," earnestly.

"Well, I had my gun p'inted an' mouth open to holler when I got a'full smell o' them ham an' eggs right in my throat, an' I snuffed a little to git one more smell, with my mouth wide open, when the onions come up. Lord," smacking his lips reminiscently, "I've lived seventy years, an' I never had another second like that in all my life. I jest laid my gun down an' stuck my nose out fur's I could; then I felt 'shamed an' looked round. But Dikker's nose an' Sam's nose was both stickin' out jest the same. That finished us. We couldn't 'a' stayed up there another minute for all the gold in these mountains. It's been ten weeks—ten whole weeks—since we swallered our last bit o' pork, an' in all that time we ain't had a thing but roots b'iled to chaw on."

"Ten weeks'" exclaimed Brent in amazement. "Why, man alive, I once lived on them two days and thought I'd starve. Why didn't one of you go out after provisions?"

"Dassent," laconically. "They's too many prospectors round watchin'. They can tell from the size of a man's eyes what he's found. We have a spot where we can pick up gold with our fingers, an' we'd rather starve than take chances. But I reckon we four can git it all out in a month, an' you can have an eighth share from now on. An'—oh, yes, my name's Moses, thirty-nine years prospectin' an' never struck it rich till now Who might you be?"

"My name's Brent Harlan, ten years prospectin', but going home soon now."

A week later they were gathered around the campfire. It was after supper, and they had all been smoking, but now the pipes were laid aside, and they were gazing into the fire Prospecting days were nearly over for them.

Into eyes that had grown hard with gold seeking were coming new expressions of tenderness and joy. But the face of Moses was grave.

"Thirty-nine years of prospectin'," he said at last, breaking the silence, "an' now at seventy ready to quit, with not a kith or kin or friend in the world save you three to look glad 'Tain't goin' to be so lame fine as I thought.

"You've all got somebody," he went on presently. "I can see it in your eyes an' in the way you smile to yourselves. I've never had nobody in all my life, not once. The first thing I remember was bein' an orphan an' fightin' for my grub. Now I'm goin' to ask you to sheer your homes with me for a half hour or so I've been watchin' you an' thinkin' it over We'll be sayin' goodby in a few weeks an' mebbe won't ever see each other ag'in. Won't you sheer your wives an' babies with me for a little while? You've got letters an' photographs, an' ye can tell me what they do an' say an' how they look. It'll be something for me to think about after we separate"

"I don't mind," said Dikker. He drew a package from his pocket, worn and soiled by much handling, and took from it the photograph of a middle aged woman, which he passed across to Moses. Then he read his letters through, one by one, slowly.

"We've been married thirty-two years," he said as he finished, "an' there's only jest we two. But Lizzy's the best woman on God's earth. I was a carder in a cotton mill, an' Lizzy worked in the weave shop. She works in the weave shop now. It'll be a great thing for me to go back with money enough to set her up so she won't have to work another blessed day in all her life."

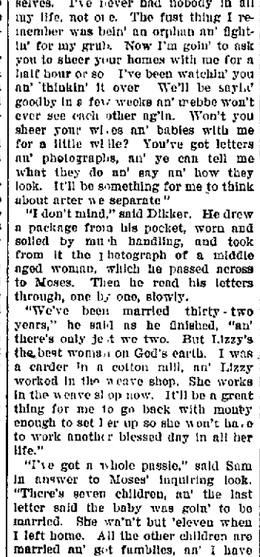
"I've got a whole passle," said Sam in answer to Moses' inquiring look. "There's seven children, an' the last letter said the baby was goin' to be married. She won't but 'eleven when I left home. All the other children are married an' got families, an' I have a whole lot o' brothers an' sisters with families. I reckon they're all poor too. They used to be. Lord! Lord, won't it be fun to take enough money home to set 'em all up," with a big, breezy laugh "But wait till ye hear their letters," and he drew a huge package from his pocket, which he opened proudly.

When they were all read Moses turned to Brent

"What a thing 't is to have folks," he said wistfully. "I don't see how anybody can leave 'em an' come to a place like this. I s'pose you've got somebody too?"

"Yes," Brent answered. "I have the dearest old mother in the world."

He selected several letters from a number which he drew from his pocket and read them through slowly The last paragraph ran: "And now, dear boy, take the best care you can of yourself and don't worry about me. I have kept up the farm and paid off $100 on the $2 000 mortgage. It isn't much in ten years, I suppose, but it's something, and I have kept up all the



"WILLIN', BOY!" HE CRIED HOARSELY. "WE'LL DRIVE YE OFF."

expenses. Next year I hope to do better. I wish you were near enough for me to look after your stockings and things. It'll be nice when we're together again, won't it? But don't come 'till you're ready. I saw Alice last week, and she's looking well."

"Who's Alice'" asked Moses sympathetically. Your wife?"

"No, not yet," Brent answered softly. He hesitated a little, but the look in the old man's eyes made him open Alice's letters and read them, too, only omitting a few of the most endearing sentences. The last letter closed with: "I saw your mother the other day, Brent, and she is beginning to look old, but, oh, so strong and patient and full of faith in you. I would not have you mar your future in any way through my impatience, dear heart, but if you could arrange to come home, even on a visit, before long it would do her so much good. But you know best."

They had all listened attentively. The old man's hand was shading his eyes.

"An' ye could leave a girl like that an' a mother like that an' stay here ten years!" he broke out disgustedly.

Brent was already on his feet, thrusting the letter back into his pocket with quick, determined hands.

"I know it," he replied huskily, "but I won't be any longer. I shall start back at once, tonight. My week's work will pay enough for the grub stake and to get me home If mother could pay a little on the mortgage I can surely make a living for them, and they will be glad to see me. That is," recollecting himself suddenly, "if you are willing to let me go. I promised to stay with you until we cleaned out the deposit, so legally I haven't any share yet. If you're willing, though," his voice trembling, "you may keep all the provisions, except just enough to get me out, and all my share, except a little for the grub stake and to get me home. I don't ask any more."

Moses was on his feet, his eyes gleaming from under their shaggy brows

"Willin', boy!" he cried hoarsely. "We'll drive ye off. Dikker, bring out the dust an' nuggets we've put in the cache the past week an' give this boy his sheer. It'll be a little over $10,000, I know, from the way it heeled. The grub stake will call for half, but seein' we've got most of it we'll pay that, an' we'll pay for his ticket home The boy must git to that farm with $10 000 'Tain't much, but it'll sort o' help him to git started, an' he can work. An', now, there's the weddin' presents. Here, Dikker, bring that stuff to me," as the man returned, staggering under the weight of his load "Jest watch what I take an' count it from my sheer. Now," selecting nugget after nugget and passing them to Brent, "you give these to the girl Alice from me an' tell her I wish a new joy to go with every one of 'em. An'—an' "—his voice hesitating a little —"if she'd be willin' to write me a line, like as if she was folks, I'd be mighty proud."

"She will write you a long letter, and be glad to," cried Brent heartily, "and so will I. But you mustn't send all this. Why, it's more than half as much as you say I must take "

"An' what o' that?" aggressively. "Ain't ye willin' the girl Alice should have something?"

"Of course, but"—

"Then shet up Now, Dikker an' Sam, pony up yer presents."

Dikker and Sam passed their offerings of nuggets to Brent, grinning. He gazed from them to the men, the moisture from his eyes now slipping down his cheeks

"Thank you," he said huskily. "Alice's fortune will be a good deal larger than mine"

"Of course 'twill," retorted Moses, "an' why not? A girl never ought to be dependin' on a man an' have to ask him for money. It ought to be right t'other way. If there's any borryin' the man should go to the girl Now shet up yer thankin' an' git ready. Hurry 'bout it too. Then we're goin' to drive ye off."

EYESTONES.

Most Genuine Specimens Found in the Province of Astrakhan.

The collection of eyestones is a dying industry. In New York the principal sources of supply are sailors who touch the Baltic sea, and, as might be imagined, the supply is precarious.

Eyestones are analogous in some respects to bezoars, as they are a concretion found in the stomach of the European crawfish Most of the genuine eyestones, crabs' eyes, crabstones or Lapilli cancrorum, are procured in the province of Astrakhan, in European Russia

There appears to be some confusion regarding the nature of the eyestone, for some authorities speak of it as a concretion in the stomach of a certain crab and others as of a peculiar shell formation which is separated from the crab at the time it sheds its shell.

The so called crab's eyes are found fully developed at the end of summer, as the crabs begin to shed their shells. It is noted that these concretions are absorbed into the stomach of the crab during the shedding season and there pulverized and absorbed, the dissolved calcareous substance being used, it is supposed, for the formation of a new shell. When these calcareous shells are not normally developed and absorbed it is observed that the shedding process is interrupted, and the crab dies an early death.—American Druggist.

EDITORIAL FLINGS.

Would old age pensions make the ladies own up?—Boston Globe.

Courtesy is becoming so rare that the man who gives up his seat in a street car feels as if he were playing to the grand stand.—Cleveland Leader.

Within a decade we may have a choice between the day line and the night line between New York and Liverpool.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

It is a common saying that the modern world is too hurried to dream, to picture or to pray. But in truth it is too hurried even to think.—London News.

A fire barrier is being built around the Wall street district in New York. This, however, will not prevent people from burning their money there just the same as ever.—Philadelphia North American.

FACTS FROM FRANCE.

In Paris there are seven free eating houses for poor mothers.

A statue of Emil Zola to be erected in the Palace Dauphine in Paris will be unveiled on Jun. 13.

Although the little boy in France wears a cap on the street, it is thought proper for a girl to go bareheaded.

The trade of France with her colonies last year aggregated over $200,000,000, of which $129,947,800 consisted in exports of manufactured products from France.

Many French vineyards are likely to be turned into rose gardens. The perfume factories pay $600 per kilogram for pure essence of roses, and the demand is greater than the supply.

PITH AND POINT.

Don't expect a satisfactory job when you hire a cheap man.

There is usually one too many. The poorest one must go. Are you the poorest one?

The number of men who are willing to sit on a keg of powder and play with matches is surprising.

The mean cynic is of more use in the world than the fellow who is always trying to agree with you when you know yourself that you are wrong.

When a half and steady working man puts on his Sunday clothes he looks as if he were looking for a chance to sneak out of them and get back to work.—Atchison Globe.

Mrs. Wicks—Why is old china so valuable? Mrs. Ricks—On account of its rarity. Mrs. Wicks—But I don't see why it should be so very rare? Mrs. Ricks—Well, with my experience of servants I must confess that a piece of china that lasts a month is a wonder to me.

IN A LIFETIME.

When Ethel's little teeth burst forth
In cunning, baby rows,
They looked, so ma and pa declared,
Like lines of pearly
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She grew to be a beauteous maid,
And young men would enthuse
About her wondrous matchless teeth—
An even line of
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At sixty things were somewhat changed;
She ofttimes tried to please
By smiling cheerily but then
Her mouth seemed full of
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At length there came a moment when
She sallied forth and bought
Some artifice to take the place
Of what was plainly
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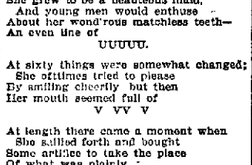
—Charles S. Barnes in Puck.

How She Stood.



"Well, Carlie, how do you stand at school?"

"Teacher says I stand awful pigeon toed, but she hopes to break me of the habit."—New York World.

Just a Reminder.

For nine long years he had been wooing the fair daughter of the farm. "Jennie," he mused as they sat on the old rail fence, catching lightning bugs, "I read the other day that in 50,000 years Niagara falls will dry up."

Jennie clutched his arm excitedly.

"Oh, Tom!" she exclaimed.

"What, gal?"

"Why, as you promised to take me there on the honeymoon, don't you think we better be a little keerful that it don't dry up before we get there?"

N B—The next day the wedding bells rang in the village.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

From the Ahmonial Point of View.

He—So your marriage was a failure?

She—Oh, I don't know.

He—Why, I thought you had secured a divorce?

She—I did.

He—Well, don't you call that a complete failure?

She—Hardly You see, my partner made an assignment and I received a very neat sum as a preferred creditor.

He—Oh—um—er—I beg your pardon. —Judge

Going and Coming.

A young artist recently gave his wife her first peep at a picture he'd been working on for a wealthy patron.

"Why, dear, it's lovely," murmured the better half—"lovely! But I think those sheep look—well, just a trifle too much like clouds—that is, of course, dear—er—unless they are clouds!"—Harper's Weekly.

And She's So Pretty.

"She declares she'll never go to that photographer again She says he's just hateful"

"My! I wonder what the trouble was?"

"I think he insulted her by not offering to put one of her photographs in his showcase"—Philadelphia Press.

Knew Its Habits.

Explorer—Yes, I have decided to make my dash in an automobile.

Reporter—And you think your chances of locating the pole are good?

Explorer—Sure! If I get within a thousand miles of it this machine of mine will run into it.—Puck.

Consideration.

"Do you expect people to believe the reason you give for advancing prices?"

"That isn't the question," rejoined Mr. Dustin Stax. "They ought to appreciate my courtesy in condescending to give any reason at all."—Washington Star.

An Unusual Distinction.

"My name may seem common enough to you, but I belong to a family that boasts two names"

"How's that?"

"His name is Smith, and its name is legion."—Kansas City Times.

Not Qualified.

"Don't you really think you could make a football player?"

"Never You see, I have had no experience in such strenuous work, except in real war at San Juan."—Baltimore American.

The Tip.

Waiter (to absentminded customer, who is departing)—Ah, monsieur! You 'ave not seenk of zee teep?

Absentminded Customer—Tip? Oh, yes! Buy Bald Hickory for place—Browning's Magazine.

On the Tallyho.

Pearl—Percy Vere insists upon blowing the horn all the way to the club

Ruby—Yes, that is the only way Percy can blow himself without spending any money.—Detroit Tribune.

Billville Office Rules.

We never return rejected articles We get a dollar a ton for them at the paper mill.

Write on one side of the paper only When the other side is blank we can figure up our losses on it.

Subscribers who have not received the paper in three weeks or more should inquire at the sheriff's office, where a reason will probably be given them.—Frank L Stanton in Atlanta Constitution.

Accounting For It.

"No," said the stubborn man, "nobody can alter my regard for Jiggins He's a man you don't meet every day."

"I admit that," replied Markley, "but I attribute it to the fact that I loaned him $10 several months ago."—Catholic Standard and Times.

A Faint Resemblance.

"Ah, my boy," said the purse proud individual as he handed round the Flor de Toofas, "that's something like a cigar!"

"Yes," responded one of the victims, "what is it?"—London Opinion.

WEDDING BELLS A-PLENTY.

Marry Young and Often Seems to Be the Rule in Egypt.

According to information given from authentic sources to a correspondent of Leslie's Weekly while in Egypt, "there are few men in Cairo past the age of twenty years who have not been married at least twice, and the majority of women over sixteen have made a half dozen or so matrimonial experiments." There is no disgrace attached to divorce in Egypt. If mutual admiration wanes with the honeymoon, there is nothing more natural to the Egyptian mind than that the dissatisfied party takes steps toward another trial. Marriage is universal in Egypt. There are no old maids. Widows remain widows but a short time, and, as a rule, no young man is considered fitted for business or entitled to the confidence of the community until he is married. These numerous marriages and their attendant celebrations make it extremely interesting for the stranger from the west who journeys through Egypt. Toward the end of the tourist season, when money is considerably more plentiful than it is just before the travelers invade the country and begin to scatter plasters along the Nile, there are hundreds of marriages. In Cairo they average during the month of April from ten to twenty a day of the elaborate ones—with brass bands, processions and feasting—and any number of less showy ones.

A LONG DRIVE.

The Expert Lumbermen of the Canadian Rivers.

One of the most interesting sights the new arrival in Canada can strike is to witness a log drive on one of the rivers there, especially should there be several rapids to navigate.

The expert river man is a clever athlete—clever and nervy as any circus rider, his steeds probably cutting more antics than any horse could think of. He will jump from one log to another quickly as they swirl around until he reaches the one he wants; then he will make for the center and stand perfectly upright and still, balancing himself with a long pike or peavy, sometimes running down stream miles without landing.

He also guides other logs into the channel in passing, at times jumping from one to another in marvelous fashion, although the logs are twisting and turning in every direction.

Probably the cleverest piece of work one could observe out here is when the logs get jammed in passing the rapids. Then you see the expert at his best. He is here, there and everywhere until he gets things as he wants them, when he will calmly stand and ride down among the heaving, grinding mass as though there were no danger at hand. This scene, so full of excitement, once witnessed could never be forgotten.—London Tit-Bits.

The Denver National bank not long ago received the following letter from a lady who is very well known in social circles

"Gentlemen—Please stop payment on the check I wrote out today, as I accidentally burned it up. Yours, Mrs. Blank."—Denver Post.

Too Enthusiastic.

Edwin Forrest once produced a play called "Metamora." Supers were engaged to personate Indian warriors, and among them was a bright Irish lad who had a deep admiration for the great tragedian. At a point in the play where Metamora asks, "Am I not the great chief of the Pottawatomies?" the supers are supposed to grunt "Ugh, ugh!" The stage manager had carefully drilled them in what they were expected to do, but on the night of the performance the young Irishman was so transported by Forrest's acting as quite to forget that he was impersonating an Indian. When Forrest turned to the assembled warriors and thundered forth, "Am I not the great chief of the Pottawatomies?" the Irish boy's enthusiasm broke through all restraint. He leaped into the air with a wild shout and, twirling his tomahawk about his head, replied "Begorra, ye are!"—London Standard.

Water on Gibraltar.

On the eastern side of the rock of Gibraltar there is a curious looking white patch which led an American tourist to ask whether the rock was being armor plated. It is really a catchment for rainwater to increase the reserve of water on the rock. The catchment covers ten acres. It is made of galvanized corrugated iron fixed to piles driven deep into the sandy slopes above the village of Catalan. The water collected at the foot of the catchment runs through the rock into a tunnel 2,000 feet long and is delivered in to reservoirs on the western side. The yield to the inch of rainfall is 240,000 gallons.—New York Tribune.

TOLD HIS WIFE ABOUT IT.

And Then Accused Her of Having No Sense of Humor.

Englishmen are often accused of being unable to grasp the point of the American pun, and sometimes they may think they see the point of a joke when perhaps they do not. An Englishman named Morley was walking along the sidewalk one day with an American friend when the latter inadvertently slipped and fell down.

"Ah, my dear boy, I hope you are not hurt! How did it happen?"

To which the friend replied:

"It happened notwithstanding."

They both laughed over the pun, and Morley said it was so good he was going to tell his wife about it. At dinner that evening he remarked that he had such a good joke on his friend Brown, and by way of preliminary, leading up to the point of his story, he proceeded to tell all about who Brown was, his associations and business connections, how he came to get acquainted with him, commercial relations he had had with him, etc., until he forgot about the story, but was reminded of it by the wife, who said impatiently:

"But what about the story?"

"Oh, yes!" laughing immoderately as the recollection of it struck him. "Why, you see, Brown and I were walking down the street together, and he slipped on a banana peeling and fell down, and when I asked him how it happened he said, 'Nevertheless.'"

And he was sore at her all evening and declared she had no sense of humor because she said she didn't see anything funny to that.—Judge's Library.

Pigs as Jewelers.

The bracelet was apparently of ivory—a tiny tusk that by some freak of nature had grown into a circle.

"But, no," said the dealer; "this is no freak. It is a designed thing. It is one of those bracelets that the pigs of the New Hebrides are made to grow.

"Yes, in the New Hebrides they make their pigs their jewelers. They do this simply by removing the animals' upper canine teeth. Then the lower ones, having nothing to grind against, grow into a spiral. These spirals as soon as they are complete are removed with a pincherlike instrument and are worn upon the wrist.

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Wonderful Head.

Percy—Yes, it's rather a neat tie. Who gave you the idea? Cholly—Nobody. I got it out of my own head. Percy—Oh! Blocked it out yourself, did you?—Chicago Tribune.

Confidences are sometimes blinding, even when they are sincere.—Eliot.

WHAT HE WENT AFTER.

The Office Boy Gave the Business Caller Some Information.

The big bell in the city hall tower had just banged forth the noon hour, and the office buildings were emptying throngs of workers into the streets to fill the lunchrooms.

In an elaborate office, seated in a large chair, with his feet comfortably resting on the edge of the manager's desk, was Plugsy, the office boy of Janworth & Co., brokers, says Lippincott's Magazine. His head was cocked on one side, and with evident relish he was puffing a huge cigar which his employer had neglected to finish.

Suddenly the door opened, and Mr. Whiff, a client of the firm, rushed in.

"Where's Mr. Janworth?" he demanded excitedly.

"What's that?" said Plugsy, slowly removing the cigar from the far corner of his mouth.

"I want Mr. Janworth right away. Where is he?" repeated Whiff.

Just them the bell of a fire engine clanged below, and Plugsy leisurely rose and walked to the window.

"Gee," he said thoughtfully, "people do git skeered o' them fire carts, all right, all right!" Turning around, he continued: "Boss ain't in. I'm runnin' th' business just now. Want any quotations or"—

"No, you idiot!" yelled the client. "Where has he gone—downstairs?"

"Yep."

"Will he be back after lunch?"

"Naw," yawned the future firm; "that's what he went out after."

Professor Matched the Boss.

Boston and Cambridge people of an earlier day remember well Professor Child of Harvard, a scholar who was likewise a live man. They tell with great gusto a story about his faithful attention to city politics. Professor Child always attended to his duties as a citizen of Cambridge. One night he went to a ward meeting at which a boss began to put forth some of his warped ideas. The college professor was speedily on his feet and scathingly denounced the boss and his methods. After the meeting was over the good natured boss, just to show that he bore no ill will, met the scholar on the stairs and, genially handing over a cigar, said, "Have a smoke, professs?" His antagonist straightened up, took the cigar and said with great dignity, "Yes, I'll match you in any of your lesser vices!"—Boston Herald.

It Was Soaked.

Mrs. Jawback—Why, you're wet through! Mr. Jawback—I know it. I'm soaked. Mrs. Jawback—But where's your umbrella? Mr. Jawback—It's—it's what I am.—Cleveland Leader.

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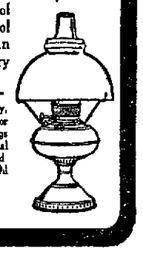

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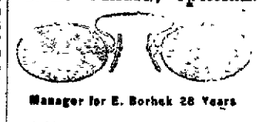

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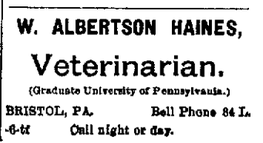

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